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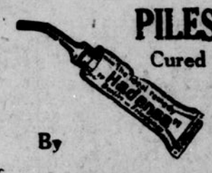
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New York Mayor Fisted & Knocked Down

No Settlement Of Bengal Problem

SARKAR LEAVES FOR CALCUTTA: GANDHIJI'S ADVICE

THE HON. MR. NALINI RANJAN SARKAR, FINANCE MINISTER, BENGAL, LEFT FOR CALCUTTA, ON TUESDAY EVENING, AFTER PROLONGED DISCUSSIONS WITH THE CONGRESS LEADERS NOW IN BOMBAY, REGARDING THE POSSIBILITIES OF A CONGRESS COALITION MINISTRY FOR BENGAL.

Mr. Sarkar had lengthy discussions on Tuesday with Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel in the presence of Mr. G. D. Birla and Mr. Bhulabhai Desai.

No Settlement

IT IS UNDERSTOOD NO SETTLEMENT HAS BEEN REACHED ON THE QUESTION.

There are several difficulties in the way owing to the complicated nature of Bengal politics. Attempts, however, will be made to overcome these difficulties in the near future.

Questionnaire For States And Provinces

Forty-page Draft Before National Planning Committee

The National Planning Committee's Questionnaire Sub-Committee, composed of Prof. K. T. Shah, Mr. Ambalal Sarabhai, Mr. A. K. Saha, Dr. Nazir Ahmed and Mr. Advani, met in the Civil Secretariat on Tuesday and prepared a draft questionnaire of over 140 queries to be addressed to the Provinces and Indian States.

The questionnaire was later placed before the Planning Committee for approval. It is expected that by Wednesday evening, the draft will be revised and given a final shape.

DETAILED QUESTIONNAIRE.

The questionnaire which, in its draft form, runs into nearly 40 pages, is intended to secure detailed information regarding the different industries in the Provinces and Indian States, the natural resources and the extent to which they are being exploited. Information regarding cottage industries will be separately called for.

Prof. J. C. Kumarappa of the All-India Village Industries Association attended the meeting of the Planning Committee on Tuesday.

The personnel of the Planning Committee was extended by co-opting the Industries Ministers from the Provinces, which have agreed to co-operate with the Committee. They will be ex-officio members.

The All-India Trade Union Congress will be requested to suggest the name of a representative to be included in the Committee.

ADDITIONAL MEMBERS

Mr. Walchand Hirachand and Prof. Radhakamal Mukherji of Calcutta were the two additional members to be co-opted.

It is expected that the deliberations of the Planning Committee will come to a close on Wednesday evening. There will be a special sitting in the morning at 10 a.m., and the Committee will reassemble at 2-30 p.m.

HEADQUARTERS AT BOMBAY.

It has been decided to fix the headquarters of the Planning Committee at Bombay. Pending the appointment of a permanent Secretary, Mr. G. P. Hatheesing will be the Honorary Secretary.

GIRI FOR MADRAS

The Hon. Mr. V. V. Giri, Minister for Industries, Madras, who was here in connection with the National Planning Committee left for Madras on Tuesday.

Letter From Gandhiji

It is reliably understood that after the Wardha talks in this connection, Mr. G. D. Birla, who accompanied Mr. Sarkar to Bombay, brought with him a letter from Mahatma Gandhi expressing his views regarding the formation of a Congress Coalition Ministry in Bengal. The talks in Bombay seem to have been based largely on Gandhiji's suggestions.

"Sarkar Must Resign"

It is said that originally a suggestion had been made in certain Congress quarters that Mr. Nalini Ranjan Sarkar should resign from the Huq Ministry before the formation of a Congress Coalition.

According to authoritative information, Mahatma Gandhi who had discussions with Moulana Abul Kalam Azad and Mr. G. D. Birla at Wardha, was of opinion that it was not advisable that Mr. Sarkar should resign until sufficient ground in the matter of formation of a Coalition Ministry had been covered.

ANOTHER NO-CONFIDENCE MOTION?

It is likely that before the Budget session of the Bengal Assembly, forces will be organised for another no-confidence motion against the Huq Ministry.

BENGAL SOCIALISTS & COALITION MINISTRY

No Toning Down Of Minimum Programme

CALCUTTA, Dec. 20.

While lending support to the reported move for the formation of a Congress Coalition Ministry in Bengal, the Executive Committee of the Bengal Congress Socialist Party, at its meeting last night urged that no such bargain should be made with any group as may tone down the minimum programme, as presented by the leader of the Congress Party in the last Bengal Assembly."—A. P.

JAWAHAR SUFFERS FROM BAD COLD

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru had slight temperature on Tuesday owing to a bad cold but he attended the sitting of the Planning Committee. He is expected to leave for Allahabad to-day.

MASS INFECTION DURING WAR

Charge Against Soviet Doctors Sentenced To Death

LENINGRAD, Dec. 20.

Two Soviet doctors, alleged to be spies, were sentenced to death by a court martial for sabotage of the Red Army's health services.

They were accused of plotting for mass infection of Soviet troops at war time.—Reuter

MORE LEGISLATORS RESIGN

Students Decide To Go On Strike

(From Our Correspondent).

RAJKOT: Dec. 20.

Rao Saheb C. M. Kothari has tendered his resignation of the membership of the Rajkot Praja Pratinidhi Sabha and sixteen more members have followed him. Now the total number of resignations is 61.

One leading pleader had been to the Palace yesterday night to see the Thakore Saheb, but the Thakore Saheb could not find time to see him.

STUDENTS' DECISION

To-day students have finally decided to go on strike from tomorrow, because the authorities refuse to withdraw the steps taken.

As a mark of protest against the arrest of R. S. Lallubhai Shah Rajkot will observe 'hartal' tomorrow between 4 and 7 p.m.

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Nazi Threat & Its Sequel

Assailant Beaten Unconscious

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.

A heavily built man leaped upon Mayor La Guardia on the City Hall steps and knocked him down with a blow of the fist. The police and bystanders rushed on the assailant who was beaten insensible.

Mr. La Guardia quickly rose up and superintended the assailant's removal.—Reuter.

THREATENED WITH DEATH

A New York Cable dated December 9 stated:—

Mayor La Guardia has received a note threatening him with death if he continues to attack the German Nazi Party. The note was posted in the suburb of Bronx and signed with the "Swastika".

It stated, "you get this if you continue to attack the German Nazi Party." The allusion was to an unfired rifle bullet, which was enclosed.

Mayor La Guardia, on whose orders Jewish policemen are now guarding the German Consulate here, is taking the threat seriously, according to his Secretary.

YELLOW RIVER FREEZES

Will It Aid Japan To Cut Off China From Soviet?

CHUNGKING, Dec. 20.

The Yellow River is frozen up. It is thought that this may cause the Japanese to launch shortly their anticipated drive into the Shensi Provinces with the object of cutting off the communications between China and Soviet Russia. The Japanese forces west of Suiyuan in Shansi Provinces are said to have been waiting for this freeze-up in order to cross into Shansi and Ninghsia Provinces.—Reuter.

CZECH FRONTIER VIOLATION

BUDAPEST, Dec. 20.

The incident on the border of Hungary and Slovakia is described as a Czech frontier violation.

A Hungarian version says that Hungarian Party has got a majority of votes in the municipal elections at Nagyszalans and as a consequence the clashes occurred. Czechs opened fire with rifles One Hungarian lieutenant was severely wounded and the frontier guard killed.—Reuter.

Armed Occupation Of Slovak Villages

PRAGUE, Dec. 20.

Slovak reports declare that armed Hungarian irregulars have occupied four Slovak villages and killed two gendarmes, after which the Slovak Premier Tiso has ordered the work of the Slovak-Hungarian Delimitation Committee to be stopped.—Reuter.

Indian Federation, Another Versailles?

JINNAH HARPS UPON FATE OF CZECHS

Charge Of Fascism Against Congress: Story Of Ill-treatment Of Muslims

BOMBAY, Dec. 20.

"The reply of the Under-Secretary of State for India to certain questions put in the House of Commons on December 16, 1938, and to-day's news from London with regard to the attitude of His Majesty's Government would go to some extent to allay the grave apprehensions on the part of the Musalmans of India inasmuch as the main objective of the Congress in stirring up trouble in the States to secure a majority in the Federal Legislature by forcing His Majesty's Government to bring pressure to bear upon the Princes to set up an elective system for returning their representatives has failed", says Mr. Mohamed Ali Jinnah in a statement to the Press.

CONGRESS FASCISM

Mr. Jinnah adds:—"As regards the appeal of H. E. the Viceroy to India to give a trial to the Federal scheme embodied in the Government of India Act, I am somewhat disturbed when His Excellency starts by expressing his enthusiastic satisfaction over the working of the Provincial Constitution so far. Those of us, who have had experience of the last 18 months, are completely disillusioned and I am sure His Excellency must be aware of the fact that "the Congress Provincial Governments are not functioning on the lines of a democratic parliamentary system of Government, but on the lines of Fascism and Authoritarian Governments, with the British army and police behind them." And so far as the Mussalmans are concerned in particular, they have in many parts of those Provinces been cruelly treated and attempts have been made to crush them, while the Governors have failed to protect them notwithstanding their Special Powers

ANOTHER 'VERSAILLES'

This peach tree which has failed to produce any fruit and is withering in Provinces, His Excellency now wants us to implant it on the sands of the Jumna at Delhi on the sole plea that the unity of India can only be secured throughout the sub-continent by this highly artificial and unnatural scheme. Is this the way to secure the political and economic integration of India which, in the judgment of the Viceroy, outweighs all other considerations, apart from the inherent defects and flaws in the Federal scheme? In my opinion, the British Government, by forcing the scheme upon India, will bring about more disastrous consequences to all concerned than even the ill-fated Versailles Treaty, which created the new State of Czechoslovak Republic by artificial methods, which dragged in together wholly antagonistic and foreign elements and sections of people and races under a so-called system of democratic parliamentary government.

LEAGUE V. CONGRESS

"Perhaps, His Excellency's absence from India may, to some degree, be responsible, if he does not know that all hopes of communal amity have already been dashed on the rock of Congress Fascism, as it is evident from the letter of the Congress President, Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose, sent to me on December 16, 1938, and which was published in the Press a few days ago. So long as the Congress High Command continues to put forward the most preposterous claim that they alone can speak and deliver the goods on behalf of the people of India, there cannot be any Hindu-Muslim settlement. The All-India Muslim League is the authoritative and representative organisation of the Musalmans of India and we are prepared to face any situation that may arise to maintain that cardinal principle at any sacrifice.

AZAD-ISMAIL KHAN MEETING.

"As many enquiries have been made with regard to the alleged recent meeting of Nawab Ismail Khan with Maulana Abul Kalam Azad and a certain amount of misunderstanding has been created in the mind of the public by the Press reports, I wish to make it clear that if Nawab Ismail Khan met Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, he had neither authority from the Executive Council of the Muslim League nor had I any knowledge of it. I strongly deprecate any member of the Muslim League going to Maulana Abul Kalam Azad and thereby recognising his pretensions, directly or indirectly, that he holds the Islamic portfolio in the Congress High Command."—A.P.

POORNA SWARAJ

Common Goal Of Provinces & States

"Federation Not Acceptable To Any Decent-minded Indian"

Sjt. S. Satyamurti, Deputy leader of the Congress Party in the Central Assembly, delivered a lecture on Tuesday evening to a large audience in the compound of the Congress House. The subject of the lecture was "The Congress and the next step."

Sjt. Bhulabhai J. Desai, presided.

Sjt. Satyamurti addressing the audience said: "I have promised to speak to you to-night on the Congress and the next step, but before I proceed I want to congratulate everyone of you or the fact that the Congress Flag flies in eight Provinces to-day. I expect that it will soon fly over two more Provinces." If the Congress flag flew over two Provinces, Mr. Satyamurti added, it would not be in the power of hundred Sikandar Hayats to resist the coming of a Congress Government in the Punjab.

"I therefore, appeal to you all," Mr. Satyamurti said, "to endeavour to establish Congress Governments in the remaining three Provinces."

TRIBUTE TO MINISTRIES.

Proceeding he said "The Congress Governments are turning out much better work than in any other non-Congress Provinces. You may rest assured that tribute has come to our Congress Ministries from Mahatma Gandhi.

CONGRESS AND STATES.

Referring to the struggle in the Indian States he said, that so far as the people of the Indian States were concerned the Congress wanted that they should be given Responsible Government. He was certain that the State Rulers will sooner or later have to yield to the popular demand inspite of all the support that they might receive from the Paramount Power. The British Government pleaded that they could not ask the Princes to introduce Responsible Government in their States, but when it suited their purpose they could dictate to the Princes to do their bidding. The late Lord Reading before leaving India gave a parting kick to H. E. H. the Nizam and declared that Paramount Power was supreme. Mr. Satyamurti said that there was no fundamental difference between the objectives of the Peoples of British India and the Indian States. The common goal was Purna Swaraj.

PRINCES' BEST FRIEND.

He warned the Princes of India to realise their sacred duty to their subjects and said that their best friend to-day was Mahatmaji, on whom they could rely for sincere guidance. The days of autocracy were numbered and if the Princes were wise they should like their Suzerain, King George VI, become constitutional monarch.

VICEROY'S SPEECH

He was conscious of the conciliatory tone of Lord Linlithgow who asked Indians to work the Federation. But the Federation that the Viceroy wanted them to work was unacceptable to them. If the Viceroy was genuinely anxious to secure their co-operation he should on behalf of the British Government have invited Gandhiji, who was their 'de facto' leader to frame a scheme of federation in accordance with the country's demand.

The Viceroy appealed to them to accept Federation on the ground of unity of India which he said "was more important given the change in the European background and the relations of the new ideologies which we see developing to the ideals which have been and which remain the basis of British policy in India." Mr. Satyamurti asked whether there were not two conflicting ideologies in India which the British sought to reconcile in their federation scheme—the Princes adhering to their mediaeval ideas of autocracy and the people demanding democratic government.

TRUST BEGETS TRUST

The people of India could not accept a federation in which the nominees of the autocratic rulers

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PLIGHT OF SINKIANG INDIANS

Traders Liquidating Their Business To Return Home

(From Our Correspondent.)

NEW DELHI, Dec. 20.

Reports from Sinkiang reveal the sad plight of Indian traders.

It is stated that in a year's time, there will be scarcely any Indian trader in Sinkiang and the Indo-Sinkiang trade would have practically ceased to exist. It appears, Indians are busily liquidating their affairs and arranging return to India but apparently Indians owning land are unable to sell it and money-lenders are finding it difficult to recall their money.

NAZIS WANT REVISION OF SUEZ CANAL ADMINISTRATION

BERLIN, Dec. 20.

German shipping circles are of the opinion that farreaching revision of the Suez Canal administration would improve international economic "co-operation" declared an inspired statesment issued by the German news agency. It adds that traffic to the Far East and African and Asiatic ports, in the vicinity of the Canal, has been rendered so expensive by the high fees in operation that many ships now take the Cape route.

"This view is held that genuine commercial profit, in return for the risk of building the Canal, has now been balanced by the dividends and directors' fees, which have been paid out for many decades."—Reuter.

JAWAHAR'S LECTURE CANCELLED

The lecture by Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru under the auspices of the Civil Liberties Union on "Spain and Europe" has to be postponed on account of Mr. Nehru's bad throat.

Mr. Nehru will speak on the same subject during his next visit to the city in January. Those who purchased tickets may cash it back at the Indian Civil Liberties Union, Office, Bombay Mutual Building, writes the Union's Secretary.

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MESSRS. V. M SARAIYA & CO.,
On behalf of
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Dated this 19th day of December, 1938.

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W. T. ALDOUS,
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(Sd.) M. N. WANTMURIMATH,
President,
Gokak Municipality.
Gokak, 17-12-1938.
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HIGH COURT.

O. O. C. J.

Suit No. 765 of 1937.

SUKHLAL JIVRAJ JARIWALLA ..... Plaintiff.
vs.
MAHOMED ISMAIL alias BABAMIYA SHIRAJUDDIN SHAIKH NAG ..... Defendant.

To
MAHOMED ISMAIL alias BABAMIYA SHIRAJUDDIN SHAIKH NAG, the Defendant abovenamed.

LET ALL PARTIES CONCERNED attend before the Hon'ble the Sitting Judge in Chambers at the High Court of Bombay, on FRIDAY, the 13th January, 1939, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon S. T. at the hearing of an application on the part of the plaintiff for an Order that the plaintiff be given liberty to file the Decree Absolute for Sale herein dated 22-2-1938 with the Commissioner of the High Court for taking accounts and that the said Commissioner do proceed with the sale of the properties comprised in the said Decree and that the costs of the application and the order to be made thereon be provided for.

Dated this 8th day of December, 1938.

DHARAMSI DINKARRAU AND NANDLAL,
Plaintiffs Attorneys.
10160.

NOTICE.

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Messrs. GANDHI & CO., Auctioneers will, under instructions from Messrs. Thatte & Co., Attorneys for the Presidents of the 'Kurla Brahman Seva Sangh', the last Transferees, under a Deed of Transfer of Mortgage dated 28th day of January 1938 of the Mortgage dated 11th day of June 1928 made between Sadanand Parasharam, Ramrao Sadanand and Shantaram Sadanand as Mortgagors of the one part and Bapuji Vasantrao as Mortgagee of the other part, on account and at the risk of the said Sadanand Parsharam and others the said Mortgagors, in pursuance of the powers of sale contained in the said Mortgage, sell by Public Auction the undermentioned Valuable Immovable Property THIS DAY Wednesday the 21st day of December 1938 at 4-30 P.M. (S.T.) on the premises.

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For further particulars please apply to Messrs. Thatte & Co., Attorneys for the Presidents of the 'Kurla Brahman Seva Sangh', at their Office at Examiner Press Building, Medows Street, Fort, or to the Undersigned.

AUCTION SALE OF UNCLAIMED GOODS AT UNCLAIMED GOODS OFFICE, WADI BUNDER, G.I.P. RAILWAY.

Messrs. GANDHI & CO., Auctioneers will under instructions from the G. I. P. Railway and in accordance with Sections 55 and 56 of Indian Railways Act IX of 1890, sell by Public Auction on Friday the 30th December 1938 at 2 P.M. (S. T.) at G. I. P. Railway, Wadi Bunder, Unclaimed Goods Office, Unclaimed Goods including:—

Rice, Wheat, Moog, Bajree, Jawaree, Gram, Toor, Oorid, Husk Cotton seed, G. N. seed, Lin seed, Dall, Hirda, Sugar, Cotton, Dry Chillies, Earth, Steel hoops, Iron bars, Coir ropes, Motor Tyres, Bidi leaves, Gunny bags, E. W. cases, Blankets, Iron Weights, E. I. Barrels, Casks, Drums, Drum of oil, Bamboo matting, Tins of oil, Ghee, Rasin, Glassware, Churries, E. Bottles, H. H. Effects, Safron, Oodbatti, D. Batteries, Medicine, Haberdesherry, G. Bangles, Soap Tea, Oilman stores, Slates, Matches, Gramophone, Copper chips, Bruches, Leather shoes, 156 Bags Garlic, Rubber shoes, Machinery, Tadpatri, Rope Pieces, one case acid, 3 cases of oily grease (Butter in tins) Inv. 2723 of 26/7/38 Ex. Aghat to W. B. and 7 cases olly Grease (Butter in tins) Inv. 2479 of 16/7/38 Ex. Aghat to W. B.

Terms:—50 per cent Deposit. Balance to be paid and Delivery to be taken on or before 8th January 1939.

P. S.:—Only those Bidders possessing licenses to deal in acids will be allowed to bid for one case of acid.

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The sale of the Works of Chinese Art and Curios will be resumed to-day at 3 p.m. at 123, Medows Street, Bombay, as previously advertised.

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Kamatipura Slums To Be Cleared

Commissioner Prepares 40 Lakhs Scheme

A scheme for the clearance of slums in Kamatipura has been prepared by the Municipal Commissioner which will cost about Rs. 40 lacs. It covers Pupala Road and Bapty Road.

The total area comprised in the scheme comes to about 33,840 sq. yds. There are in this area approximately 2,250 single room tenements, 125 double room tenements and 60 large tenements. Besides these, there are 150 shops. The total number of houses included in the scheme is about 330 and the number of people residing in this area is roughly estimately at 7,700. The cost of acquisition is estimated at about Rs. 38,87,000 and that of the works such as roads, drains and lighting at about Rs. 85,000.

The total cost of the scheme will, therefore, come to about Rs. 39,72,000.

The area that will be available for disposal after development will be about 30,150 sq. yds. and its value may be estimated at about Rs. 5,45,000. The demolition value of the buildings to be acquired may be estimated at Rs. 1,25,000. The recoupment will, therefore, come to about Rs. 6,70,000.

The total net cost of this slum clearance scheme will, therefore, come to about Rs. 33,00,000 exclusive of interest and sinking fund charges on the capital outlay up to the date of completion of the scheme.

The total outlay on the housing scheme allowing for interest and sinking fund charges at 3 per cent. during the period of construction will be about Rs. 13,76,200. Estimating the average rent of a room at Rs. 8 per month and of a shop at Rs. 20 per month and allowing for the usual outgoings, the net annual income may be estimated at about Rs. 36,200 giving a return of 2.6 per cent. on the outlay.

The total combined cost of the two schemes will therefore come to about Rs. 49,98,620 exclusive of interest and sinking fund charges and against this the anticipated recoupment will be about Rs. 2,88,210 from sale of land, Rs. 1,25,000 from sale of materials of buildings and the annual net income of Rs. 36,200 from permanent chawls.

SEASONING OF RAILWAY SLEEPERS

Experiments With New Methods

Experiments on the seasoning of railway sleepers are in progress at the Forest Research Institute

One of them was started in the East Almorah division of the United Provinces Forest Department in co-operation with the Indian Turpentine and Rosin Company Limited and the Sleeper Control Officer, Northern Group. The experiment is planned to study the seasoning of Chir sleepers from the time they are cut, right up to the time they are used, in order to obtain definite information on the amount and nature of seasoning defects, and the rate of drying of sleepers at various stages of seasoning.

It is expected that the information obtained from this investigation will enable the Institute to suggest ways and means of improving the seasoning of Chir sleepers, as well as of minimizing seasoning degrade, which is a cause of heavy rejections at the time of passing.

SURTAX ON IMPORTED RICE

Consumer Hit Hard In Goa

(From Our Own Correspondent)

GOA: (By Mail).

All the legislation so far introduced in Goa does not appear to have solved the rice problem in the least. The series of diplomas or bills, twelve so far have only led to worsen the position of the consumer. The upshot of the last diploma levying an additional surtax on imported rice is that the price of rice is on the increase. The bill aims, it is stated, at reducing the importation of rice and increasing local production. There are no figures available to support that this has been achieved. It is true the import has somewhat decreased. This decrease is, however, fictitious. The deficiency in imported rice is, as is well known, being made good by rice being smuggled in large quantities across the frontiers from the neigbouring British districts.

RAILWAY TIME-TABLE

G. I. P. Railway

(IN FORCE FROM OCTOBER, 1938)

Arrivals at and Departures from Victoria Terminus.

	Arr. H.M.	Dep. H.M.
Madras Mail	6 00	22 10
Peshawar Lucknow (Exp.)	6 15	23 00
Calcutta Mail (Nagpur)	7 50	17 40
Calcutta Mail (Chheoki)	9 00	20 45
Madras Express	10 10	15 00
Poona Mail	10 25	17 30
Punjab Mail	11 15	18 50
Nagpur Express	13 50	21 35
Poona Fast (Pass.)	17 00	11 50
Poona Express	19 24	8 05
Allahabad Express	20 15	7 00

B. B. & C. I. Railway

Time-table in force from 1st October, 1938.

Arrival at and Departures from Bombay Central.

	Arr. H.M	Dep. H.M.
Ahmedabad Passenger	5 35	13 50
Delhi Express	6 00	22 15
Gujarat Mail	6 45	22 00
Kathiawar Mail	7 25	21 30
Frontier Mail	8 15 (Mon)	21 15 (Sat)
*The Flying Ranee Surat	9 48	15 10
The Flying Ranee, Surat	10 58	18 05
Ahmedabad Passenger	14 15	22 30
Kathiawar Express	18 45	8 45
Baroda Passenger	20 33	9 25

*If Monday is a Bank Holiday, this train will run on Tuesday.

ARRIVALS AT BALLARD PIER.

	Arr.
Frontier Mail (On Saturdays only for Homeward Passengers)	8 40

AIR MAIL TIMINGS

The following air mail time table is in force in Bombay:—

LONDON—BOMBAY (Juhu).

Planes call at Karachi, Bhuj, and Ahmedabad.

Arrivals at Juhu: Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 1 p.m.

Delivery: Monday (two deliveries) 8 a.m. and 3-30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 3-30 p.m.

BOMBAY (Juhu)—LONDON.

Planes call at Ahmedabad, Bhuj and Karachi.

Latest hours of posting at the G. P. O.:—Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday 7-30 a.m. Departure from Juhu 10-15 a.m.

BOMBAY (Juhu)—Colombo.

Planes call at Hyderabad, Madras and Trichinopoly.

Latest hours of posting at the G. P. O.:—Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 11-30 a.m. Departure from Juhu 1-30 p.m.

COLOMBO—BOMBAY (Juhu).

Arrivals at Juhu: Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday 9-45 a.m. Delivery, Sunday 12-30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 1 p.m.

BOMBAY (via Calcutta)—SINGAPORE and AUSTRALIA.

Latest hour of posting:—Monday, Tuesday and Saturday 6-30 p.m.

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Delivery:—Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday, at 6-30 p.m.

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Delivery:—Tuesday and Saturday 11 a.m.

BOMBAY—KATHIAWAR.

Planes call at Bhavnagar, Rajkot, Jamnagar and Porebunder.

Departures from Juhu: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 7-15 a.m.

Arrivals:—Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 6 p.m.

FIRST L. C. P. S. RESULTS

The following candidates have passed the First L.C.P.S. (Old Regulations) Examination held during the current month:—

Kripa Dalabhanjan (Miss),
Bhalchandra Bapurao Ekhande,
Anant Sadashiv Joshi,
Gajanan Shripad Karande,
Baba Mhalappa Pai,
and Kanakapur Venkatarao Shama Rao.

AROUND THE COURTS

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Bhagia Ganpat was found hanging by a rope from the neck in Kumar Chawl at Elphinstone Road, this morning.

The body was taken charge of by the police and sent to the morgue.

An inquest will be held to-morrow at the Bombay Coroner's Court.

A verdict of accidental death was returned by the Bombay Coroner's jury to-day, at the inquest on Phirozshah Pestonji (53), who died of injuries in the G.T. Hospital on December 16, due to a fall from a tram car in motion at Bori Bunder.

Lalchand Shiobharam, who was arrested in Cawnpore on a charge of criminal breach of trust in respect of Rs. 20,600, was brought to Bombay this morning. The accused was placed before the Chief Presidency Magistrate, and ordered to be remanded to custody.

The police stated that the accused, an employee of Mr. Fattechand Purshottam, misappropriated the amount in May last and absconded.

Accused Discharged

The Chief Presidency Magistrate passed orders in the case in which Arthur Joseph Reynold and Rosario Mascarenhas stood charged with escaping from Goa jail. The Magistrate directed both the accused to be discharged.

Various intriguing points of law were argued out in the case on behalf of the accused, the foremost being whether the accused, being British subjects, could be extradited under the section concerned. As it was a subject mainly for the Governments concerned, there passed voluminous correspondence on the subject.

CALCUTTA, Dec. 20.

The Annual General Meeting of the Associated Chambers of Commerce of India, concluded this noon after disposing of all the resolutions on the agenda.

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Bombay—I Programme

V U B 244 metres (1,231 kc|s)

A.M. 8 Records. 8-30 Selected by Bilkisbai I. Baxamusa. 8-45 Selected by Mahendra H. Pandya. Noon 12 Allah Rakhibai.

P.M. 12-15 Some Less Known Ragas. 12-20 Geets with Orchestra. 12-30 Stories of Gujarat. 12-35 At Your Service. 12-40 Health & Beauty: A talk. 12-45 Tan-Par-Tan. 12-55 Market rates, announcements. 1-5 Music. 3-30 Science. 3-50 Music. 3-55 English Literature, Fielding, by Prof. F. Correa-Afonso, M.A. 4-15 Feature: Humayun. 6 A I R Trio. 6-5 Allah Rakhibai. 6-20 Sazon-ki-Jhankar. 6-30 For Bhumijan. 7-30 Commercial news. 7-45 Allah Rakhibai. 8 Development of Urdu in Gujarat, talk in Hindustani, by N. S. Nadvi. 8-15 Pramilabai. 8-30 Gururao Deshpande Dharwar. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-15 Pramilabai. 9-30 News. 9-50 Dr. Arnold Bake. 10-25 Egidio Verga: Vocal recital. 10-40 The Art Players. 11 Close down.

Bombay—II Programme

31.4 metres (9,550 kc|s)

A.M. 8 to 9 and 12 Noon to 2 P.M. and 3-30 to 4-30 as in Bombay I.

61.48 metres (4,880 kc|s)

P.M. 6 to 6-30 as in Bombay I. 6-30 Who Sings there? 6-45 Sham Kalyan on Sarod by Umar Khan. 6-55 B. R. Deodhar. 7-20 Garba Dhun. 7-30 to 10-5 as in Bombay I. 10-5 Variety. 11 Epilogue.

Delhi—I Programme

V U D 338.6 metres (886 kc|s)

A.M. 8 Records. 8-45 Mukerjee and his Orchestra: Pahli Kirnen. 9-10 M. Tansen of Alwar: Alap Todi. 9-35 Majidanbai.

Noon 12 For Classical Lover.

P.M. 1 Sans Souci. 6-10 Majidanbai. 6-30 Woman's World. 7 For Villagers Only. 8 Development of Urdu in Gujarat, talk in Hindustani by N. S. Nadvi (relayed from Bombay). 8-15 Pramilabai. 9 Your letters. 9-10 Sitar recital. 9-50 Majidanbai. 10-10 World Affairs, relayed from B B C. 10-30 M. Tansen of Alwar.

Delhi—II Programme

TRANSMISSION I

31.3 metres (9,590 kc|s)

A.M. 8 M. Tansen of Alwar. 8-25 Majidanbai. 8-45 to 10 as in Delhi I.

31.3 metres (9,590 kc|s)

Noon 12 Music by request.

P.M. 1 to 2 as in Delhi I.

TRANSMISSION III

60.48 metres (4,960 kc|s)

P.M. 6 to 6-10 as in Delhi I. 6-10 Ali Bakhsh of Kasur. 6-25 Kumari Sheila Shaida (Amateur). 6-45 Majidanbai (relayed from Lahore). 7 M. Tansen of Alwar. 7-25 Delhi Radio Orchestra. 7-35 Majidanbai. 8 Hamare Nawab. 9 to 9-45 as in Delhi I. 9-50 Lawrence Burkhalter: A Violin recital. 10-10 Indo-European Orchestra. 10-25 Gladys Newington: Soprano. 10-40 Waltz programme.

Delhi—III Programme

TRANSMISSION I

19.8 metres (15,160 kc|s)

A.M. 8 to 8-45 as in Delhi II. 8-45 to 10 as in Delhi I.

Noon 12 to 2 P.M. as in Delhi I.

TRANSMISSION III

31.3 metres (9.590 kc|s)

P.M. 6 to 7 as in Delhi I. 7 to 9 as in Delhi II. 9 to 10-10 as in Delhi I. 10-10 to 10-30 as in Delhi II. 10-30 to 11 as in Delhi I.

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for X'MAS WEEK

RAMAKRISHNA BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY

The 77th birthday anniversary of Shrimat Swami Vivekanand and the 104th birthday anniversary of Bhagwan Sri Ramakrishna Paramahansa, which come off on Thursday the 12th January and Tuesday the 21st February 1939, respectively, will be publicly celebrated under the auspices of the Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama, Khar, in the Ashram grounds as well as in various places in Bombay city and suburbs on the 14th and 15th January as well as on the 25th and 26th February.

An elaborate programme of public lectures and religious discourses, Bhajans and Kirtans, procession and musical entertainments of a religious character, is being arranged in connections with these celebrations which will be spread over a number of days. There will be also feeding of the poor.

These celebrations will afford unique opportunities to the followers of Sri Ramakrishna Paramhansa and Swami Vivekanand, who may be counted by thousands in this city and suburbs, to co-operate for the spread of the gospel of universal brotherhood and harmony of religions which these illustrious Prophets of Humanity taught.

Any public institution wishing to celebrate the anniversary of Sri Ramakrishna and Swami Vivekanand in any part of the city, suburbs or the Presidency, will be given all possible co-operation by Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama, Khar.

An earnest appeal is made to all sympathisers to contribute generously towards the expenses of the celebrations.

Any contribution, will be thankfully received and acknowledged by the President, Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama, Khar.

MUSLIM AMBULANCE BUILDING

Foundation Stone Laid On Monday

Maulana Pir Haji Ghulam Muhammad Ibne Pir Haji Ziya Ma'soom Naqshbandi laid the foundation stone of the Muslim Ambulance Building at Kambekar Street on Monday morning. Mr. Kasamally Dawoodbhoy, President of the Muslim Ambulance Society in giving a brief history of the Association said:—

Ever since its inception the founders had it in mind to establish this Society on a sound and permanent footing. In 1937 the Society purchased a plot of land to build its headquarters. We are thankful to the Almighty that He has enabled us to achieve our goal and we have met this day to lay the foundation stone of the new building of the Society.

It is a matter of great pleasure to find that the response to our appeal has been so generous that one single Memon benefactor who desires to remain anonymous has given a generous donation of Rs. 5,000 and we are sanguine that as long as men of his type exist in the community the humanitarian institutions of the Muslims will never remain wanting. We take this opportunity to thank him and all the donors who have so generously subscribed to our funds and are sure that although the full amount required by us is not yet fully subscribed Muslim of Bombay will come forward and give a helping hand in completing the work of this institution.

The Pir Saheb then laid the foundation stone and gave his blessings to the Society.

PROBLEM OF 'GREATER GUJARAT'

Prof. Vakil Explains Handicaps

Under the auspices of the Shree Vile Parle Gujarati Mandal Prof. C. N. Vakil of the University School of Economics and Sociology delivered a lecture on "Maha Gujarati" on Sunday last at Chhandra Villa, Nehru Road, Vile Parle.

In the course of his speech, Prof. Vakil observed: "National work is the most important of all, but we must not forget our domestic problems. From this point of view, organisation on a provincial basis becomes important, and it is in this respect that Gujarat is more backward than some other provinces. At the same time, owing to geographical reasons, Gujarat has before it a very difficult task in facing this problem of organising itself.

In the first place the Gujaratis live both in British territory and in Indian States. Secondly we can also divide Gujarat into Cutch, Kathiawar and Gujarat proper. Thirdly owing to their aptitude for trade and commerce, Gujaratis in large numbers are domiciled in other provinces, and also in other countries such as Burma and South Africa. "Indians in South Africa" is largely a Gujarati problem, and lastly Gujarat possesses the largest number of castes, sub-castes and communities.

In this state of things, the question of organising Gujarat is very important. The people of Gujarat are intelligent, adventurous and shrewd, but they badly lack in the ability to organise themselves. It is high time that they turned their attention to this important aspect of their social life.

MAINTENANCE OF LUNATIC

Municipality Liable To Pay

(From Our Correspondent)
THANA, Dec. 20.

Whether a municipality is liable to pay the maintenance charges in respect of a pauper lunatic admitted to the Government Mental Hospital was the question decided recently by the Thana First Class Sub-Judge Mr. D V. Deshmukh, against the municipality in a suit filed by the Thana City municipality against the Government for the recovery of Rs. 1,424 paid under protest by the plaintiff.

Facts would appear to be that in the year 1914, one Joseph Isidore D'Almeida of Thana was admitted to the Thana Mental Hospital under an order issued by the Sub-Divisional Magistrate Thana. The father of the lunatic having failed to pay up the maintenance charges, the Government recovered the amount of maintenance arrears from the plaintiff Municipality, as the lunatic happened to be a "habitual resident" of Thana.

The court holding that the Municipality was liable to pay the amount dimissed the suit with costs.

Mr. R. M. Chitnis Assistant Government Pleader, Thana appeared for the Crown.

Mr M. A. Bhave, Sessions Judge Thana, allowed yesterday the appeal filed by Esphasras Mingel of Kurla against a conviction and sentence of one day's imprisonment passed by the Resident Magistrate Kurla Mr. R. K. Raje on a complaint of theft.

BANDRA MUNICIPAL BOARD

Issue Of Election Of Office-Bearers In The Fore-Front

(From Our Correspondent.)
VILE PARLE, Tuesday.

On Thursday, the Bandra Municipal Board will meet for the first time when various committees and office-bearers will be elected. It is reported that all the 22 members of the newly elected Bandra Municipal Board signed a pledge at a meeting held on last Saturday at "Mohsin Villa" with a view to form an "independent bloc" but inquiries made in the well-informed circles go to show that out of the newly elected members, about five members are said to be dissatisfied with regard, to the arrangement at present arrived at.

Thus last minute surprises would not be out of picture in view of the negotiations carried out by various parties to enlist the support of one group or other.

TALK OF THE SUBURBS

(BY A SUBURBAN MAN)

Medical aid is one of the most urgent needs of the suburbs. Several places are without any medical aid and in many of the places that have medical aid, a need is felt for improvement.

In places beyond Andheri there are very few dispensaries, specially in the Dharavi Island.

Uttan, I am told, is working hard to open one such dispensary. The local committee has done some good work and at a meeting held recently, it was announced, that it had succeeded in collecting a sum of Rs. 2,500 Mr. J. B C. Naronha, Ex-President of the Salsette Taluka Local Board, said, that if the committee could collect Rs 1,500 more, making the amount Rs. 4,000 he would be able to get a philanthropic donor to add another 6,000 and bring the amount to a total of Rs. 10,000.

If this amount is collected I understand, the Thana District Local Board has promised to start a dispensary right away.

The villagers on their part, I feel, must work hard and collect the needed amount and I am sure Government will do their bit towards its maintenance, etc.

BANDRA'S OLDEST CLUB

St. Martin's Club, Bandra, it is believed is the oldest club not only in Bandra but throughout the suburban area.

On Sunday the Club celebrated the feast of St. Martin, by holding a Solemn High Mass at St. Peter's Church followed by the 41st Annual General Meeting, at the Club Hall, when nearly all the members were present.

For tennis the membership despite appeals for more members to join the number was very poor with the result that the committee is now forced to close down the court.

In social activities the annual functions of the club proved a huge success.

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Sunrise: 7h. 7m.
Sunset: 6h. 7m.

First and Second M.B.B.S. Results, 2-0 p.m.

Meeting of Textile Wages Enquiry Committee 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Town Hall.

Thursday, December 22.

S. S. Rajputana with mails from London of the 8th instant due at 3 p.m.

THE UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS

A Question and Answer meeting will be held to-day (Wednesday), evening at 6-15 at Jehangir Wadia Building, opposite Flora Fountain.

PUROHIT HOTEL

On the occasion of the celebrations of the silver jubilee of the above hotel, a dinner will be given to city journalists, in the Cosmopolitan Hall of the Hotel at 8 p.m. to-day (Wednesday), at Krishna Building, Hornby Road, Fort.

YOUNG MEN'S HINDU ASSOCIATION

Under the auspices of the Association Bhai Parmanand will deliver a public lecture in the premises of the Association, Vithalbhai Patel Road, to-day (Wednesday), at 6-30 p.m. on "Hindu Solidarity."

'F' WARD DIST. CONGRESS COMMITTEE

An urgent meeting of the Council of the 'F' Ward District Congress Committee will be held on Thursday Dec. 22, at 8-30 p.m. (S.T.) at the house of Sjt Jhinabhai P. Joshi (M.L.A.) Kanti Bhuwan G. S. Lane, opposite Kamgar Maidan, Parel.

FREE SPINNING CLASS

Under the auspices of the Khadi Sales Depot, Matunga, a free spinning class will be opened in the premises of the Depot, Nanji Ganpat Building, near Post Office, Matunga (G.I.P.) from 1st January 1939. The class will be open between 7-30 and 8-30 a.m. on alldays.

KHALSA KONKANI ASSOCIATION

The variety concert staged by the Khalsa Konkani Association Khalsa College on Sunday, was attended by distinguished personages of Bombay. Mr. M. N. Desai Topiwalla, presiding on the occasion, praised the students on their grand success.

RAJAPUR HIGH SCHOOL SOCIAL GATHERING

The twelfth Social Gathering of the past and present students of the Rajapur High School will be held in the High School premises on Dec. 25 and 26. Mr. Umakant S. Desai will preside.

BARODA MUSLIM CONFERENCE AT NAVSARI

The fifth session of the Baroda State Muslim Conference will be held under the Presidentship of Rasoolkhan H. Pathan, advocate, on 24, 25, and 26th inst. at the Moulana Mohammed Ali Pandal, Loonsi Kooi Maidan, Navsari.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE NEWS.

The Governor of Bombay lunched with the Members of the Rotary Club at Green's Hotel on Tuesday.

Lady Lumley presided at an Executive Committee Meeting of the Bombay Presidency Infant Welfare Society at the Secretariat on Tuesday.

The Governor of Bombay and Lady Lumley gave a dance at Government House on Tuesday.

Under the auspices of the Sir Doramji Tata Graduate School of Social Work there will be a public lecture to-day (Wednesday), at 6-30 p.m. by the Hon'ble Mr. K. M. Munshi, on "Securing Social Justice" at the Nagpada Neighbourhood.

AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

BROADWAY—"Rainbow on the River" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CENTRAL—"My Son". Daily at 5, 8 and 10-45 p.m.
CAPITOL—"Terror" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EROS—"60 Glorious Years" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
METRO—"Too Hot To Handle" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Zamana". Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-30 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"Royal Commander". Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Bramhachari". Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.
MINERVA—"The Street Singer". Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-30 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"Jack of all Trades". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Industrial India". Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.
PATHE—"Tundra". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
REGAL—"Carefree". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Bhabi". Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-30 p.m.
WELLINGTON—"Mata Hari". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
WEST END—"Prof. Waman M.Sc." Daily at 5, 7-30 and 10 p.m.

POSTAL HOLIDAYS

Monday (26th inst.) and Monday (2nd January 1939), will be observed as Post Office holidays on account of X'mas and New Year, respectively. All Departments of the G.P.O. and its town sub-offices (including telegraph branches of the combined offices) will observe on these days, the same working hours as on Sundays.

"G" WARD D. C. C.

The Electoral Roll prepared by the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee for Delegates' election for the ensuing Indian National Congress is open for inspection in the "G" Ward District Congress Committee's office by the voters from "G" Ward to verify their names and if there are any mistakes to inform the same to the Secretaries of the Ward Committee before the 26th inst. for being communicated to the B.P.C.C. for correction.

COMPOUNDERS' UNION SUPPORTS CONGRESS

An extraordinary general meeting of the Compounders' Union, Bombay, was held on Sunday, and passed the following resolution:—"This extraordinary general meeting of the Compounders' Union, Bombay, held on Sunday, fully supports the candidature of the Congress candidates for the ensuing Municipal elections, and further requests the compounders of the Bombay City, who are Municipal voters to vote in favour of the Congress Candidates."

PUBLIC MEETING AT NAIGAON

Under the auspices of the 'F' Ward District Congress Committee. A public meeting will be held to-day (Wednesday), at 5-30 p.m. (S.T.) in the open compound opposite Spring Mills, Dadar, Naigaon near Hanuman Temple to support the Congress candidates in Naigaon-Sewri constituency, when Sjt. Jhinabhai P. Joshi (M.L.A.) will preside and other prominent Congress workers will speak.

SHAMS-UL-ULMA DR. DASTUR DHALLA'S LECTURE

Under the auspices of the Co-ordinating Council of Zarathoshti Religious Bodies Dastur Dr Dhalla, M.A., "Ph. D. Litt, D. will deliver a public lecture in Gujarati to-day (Wednesday), at 6-15 p.m. at the Cama Baug, Khetwadi, on Religion teaches Brotherhood as an ideal, yet why does it spread separateness.

Dastur K. M. Kutar has kindly consented to preside. The lecture is open to public.

POSTAL NOTICES

Registered and Unregistered Packet Mails and Superscribed Regd. and Unregd. letters and postcards for Mauritius and all Correspondence for Reunion per Extra S.S. "Christian Huygens" via Madura, Colombo and Batavia will be accepted at the General Post Office upto 3 p.m. on Saturday the 24th and 9 a.m. on Sunday the 25th instant.

Parcels for Germany for despatch by German steamer s.s. "Alhenfels" will be accepted at the General Post Office upto 11 a.m. on Thursday the 22-12-38.

ALL-INDIA COW CONFERENCE AT MUTTRA

Pandit Radheshyam Joshi, General Secretary All-India Cow Conference, Muttra, writes:—

"The All-India Cow Conference will be held in Muttra in the first week of March. A Reception Committee is formed with Rai Bahadur Jamnaprasad, Chairman, Muttra Municipality as Chairman. Seth Chiranjilal Loyalka is invited to preside.

All those who are interested in the protection of cows and promotion of this national wealth of the country are requested to attend the conference and lend their support.

THE BOMBAY PATIDAR SAMAJ

The following resolutions were passed by the Managing Committee of the Bombay Patidar Samaj.

This meeting of the Managing Committee of Shri Bombay Patidar Samaj has learnt with profound regret the sad and untimely death of Late Mr. Babubhai Maganlal Jariwalla and ex-Assistant Secretary of the Samaj. It sympathises with the family of the deceased in their sad bereavement.

The meeting urges upon the Voters of the Patidar Community residing in Bombay to give their whole hearted support to the Congress Candidates in the forthcoming Municipal Elections.

DELEGATES TO TRIPURI CONGRESS

Keen Contest From Suburbs

(From Our Correspondent.)

VILE PARLE, Tuesday.

At a meeting held this evening under the Presidentship of Sjt. Gokulbhai Bhatt, nomination papers received from several candidates contesting the election of delegates to Tripuri Congress session were gone through and were held in order.

Below is the list of candidates who intend contesting the said elections from respective constituencies.

BANDRA—Sjt. M. K. Deshpande.

CHEMBUR—Sjt. Narayan G. Acharya.

MULUND-BORIVLI—Sjt. Shamrao M. Chogle, Sjt. Dwarkadas G. Dalal, Sjt. Vasantlal V. Gandhi and Sjt. Vrijlal M. Astik.

KHAR-SANTA CRUZ Hon. Mr. B. G. Kher, Shantilal H. Shah, Chandulal S. Mody and Smt. Gangaben Patel.

MALAD-KANDIVLI-DAHISAR—Sjt. Nathalal D. Rajdeo, Jamnadas C. Arunza and Amritlal C. Shah.

VILE PARLE—Sjt. Gambhir V. Kothari, Sjt. Nand Roy B. Oza, Sjt. Ratubhai N. Desai, Sjt. Markand Ray B. Mehta and Sjt. I. M. Oza.

ANDHERI-VERSOVA—Sjt. N. Vesavekar, Gopinath Kasker, Narmad Vaidya, Dayabhai Bhuta, Ramachandra Solanki and Govindji D. Patel.

GHATKOPAR-DANDA—Sjt. D. B. Vora, Bharmal Tokarshi, Ratilal Bechardas, Smt. Kamalaben Sanghavi and Sjt. Jayantilal K. Vaishnav.

It is further understood that from Bandra Mr. M. K. Deshpande and N. G. Acharya from Chembur were declared elected unopposed.

Thus it will be seen that there will be a keen contest among the candidates.

CHANGE OF PROGRAMME AT METRO

From To-day, Wednesday

There will be a change of programme at the Metro from to-day (Wednesday) when "Too Hot to Handle" will replace "Lord Jeff".

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Death Of Manager Of James Greaves And Company

The death occurred of Mr. Walter Henshall who for over forty years was Manager of Messrs. James Greaves and Co., Manchester, and who retired in 1928. The offices of Messrs. Greaves Cotton and Co. Ltd. were closed yesterday afternoon as a mark of respect.

No Interview Without Appointment

In order to prevent disappointment, visitors to Hon. Mr. K. M. Munshi, Minister for Law and Order, are requested to arrange previous appointments. In future it will not be possible to see the Hon. Mr. Munshi without such an appointment.

For Interview With Revenue Minister

In spite of repeated warnings, visitors continue to pour in during all hours of the day to see the Hon'ble Mr. Morarji Desai, Revenue Minister. It is notified once again that visitors can see the Hon'ble the Revenue Minister without appointment only between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on all working days, except Saturdays. If anyone calls to see the Minister outside these hours, the Minister will be under the painful necessity of refusing to see him. Visitors can, however, meet the Minister outside these hours by previous appointment.

Addresses To Kher

RATNAGIRI, Dec. 18.

A special meeting of the Ratnagiri Municipality has adopted a resolution to present an address to Hon. Mr. B. G. Kher, Premier of Bombay, and sanction necessary expenditure, in this connection.

Of the five Muslim members of the municipality, four did not attend and the fifth, who was present, was the only person to oppose the resolution.

The Ratnagiri District Board and the municipalities of Chiplun, Mahad and Alibag have also resolved to present address to Mr. Kher.—A. P.

Dr. Gilder For Poona

The Hon'ble Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, Minister of Health, will leave Bombay for Poona on Friday night to open the extension building of the Central Mental Hospital at Yeravda. The Minister will return to Bombay on Saturday morning.

AHMEDABAD FELICITATES DEVENDRA BROTHERS

At the Hansraj Pragji Hall, Ahmedabad, on the 15th instant, under the chairmanship of Shriyut Narbadashanker Ganpatram Thakar, the members of the Shri Sattar Taluka Audichya Sahashtra Mandal met to honour the Devendra brothers by presenting them with an address on behalf of the community. The address which contained a tribute to the Devendra brothers contribution to the development of classical music in India expressed the hope that the youngsters may have the choicest of blessings and success in their career.

Master Devendra Vijaya after thanking the meeting for the honour done them delivered two discourses on "Sangitotpati" and "Nadbrahma". Two classical songs and a rendering of the 'Vande Mataram" by the Devendra Brothers brought the function to a happy close.

PUNJAB CYCLISTS FOR BOMBAY

Bombay will soon have an opportunity to welcome Messrs. Jagan Nath and Janki Das of the Punjab Cyclists' Association, who will be here to attend the inaugural meeting of the National Cyclists' Federation of India to be conveyed by the Bombay Presidency Cyclists' Union. Mr. Jagan Nath is a tower of strength in all sporting associations in the Punjab. While Mr. Janki Das is the outstanding cyclist in the Punjab, and has already made a name for himself both in track and road events, he desires to enter in cycle events during his stay in Bombay.

The Council of the Bombay Presidency Cyclists Union will meet next week to nominate their two representatives for the inaugural meeting.

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PRINCES & FEDERATION

We commented yesterday on that part of the Viceroy's speech wherein he defended the proposed federal scheme and appealed to the public to give it a trial. And we pointed out that even a trial was impossible unless the scheme was drastically altered. The British Government have now definitely declared in the House of Commons that "no changes or modifications are contemplated in the scheme of Federation embodied in the Act." It, therefore, follows as a matter of course that no change will be contemplated by the Congress in its proposed attitude towards the scheme. The question, however, remains as to what the Princes will do, in so far as they have any real option in the matter. As we have suggested before, a sufficient number of Princes seem to have accepted, however reluctantly, the revised draft of Instrument of Accession. Else the Viceroy would not have publicly announced his intention to present it to the Princes for a definite answer "within an appropriate interval of time", nor would he have spoken with that confidence about the inauguration of the scheme which he displayed in his speech. They must be bold States, indeed, which would still keep out of the scheme.

Profession Of Neutrality

The next question that arises about the Princes is whether their representatives will all be nominated or at least some may be elected. In reply to a question in the Commons, whether Government were taking steps "to encourage the democratisation of the Indian States as a preliminary to Federation being accepted", Col. Llewellin stated: "No. We are not urging anything upon the Princes in that line, but of course, we are not going to hinder any action that the Princes themselves may think fit to take". And in support of this neutral policy he quoted Gandhiji's view expressed at the R. T. Conference that Government had no right "to say to the States what they should or what they should not do," without adding that Gandhiji had asked for fundamental rights of the States' people being assured. We very much doubt, however, if this policy of neutrality will be consistently followed, as a matter of principle, even if it is now followed in reality. If only the Congress is ready to give a trial to Federation on the condition of the States being democratised and other conditions short of changing the Act, we have not the least doubt that Government would press the States hard to make, at least, a show of democratisation. But as Congress is not likely to accept Federation except with drastic alterations in the Act, Government are not likely, for the present, to exert any more pressure on the States than what is necessary to secure their accession to the scheme.

Responsible Government

The question, however, of democratising the States has got to be considered not merely as "a preliminary to Federation being accepted," but even apart from any federal scheme. Federation, which can be accepted only if it is fully democratic, is only a special argument for the democratisation of the Federating States. And the nation's struggle is for full responsible government for the whole country, including the States. Here, again, the question is asked whether the British Government, who claim to be the "Paramount Power," will urge the States to concede responsible government, or hinder them from doing so, or remain neutral. Here, too, the British Government have now stated more clearly than they did some months ago, that while they cannot urge the Princes to grant responsible government to their subjects, they will not hinder them in doing so. Col. Llewellin in a written statement in the Commons only last week said: "His Majesty's Government adhere fully to the statement made by my noble friend, the member for Horsham, in his reply on February 21 last, on this subject. The Paramount Power will not obstruct proposals for constitutional advance initiated by rulers. But His Majesty's Government have no intention of bringing any form of pressure to bear upon them to initiate constitutional changes. It rests with the rulers themselves to decide what form of government they should adopt in the diverse conditions of Indian States." This profession of neutrality is clear enough. But, we doubt if in Rajkot, for example, the practice is in consonance with the profession. However, it will not be long before the "Paramount" Power's exact position is revealed. In any case, responsible government in the States, or in the country, as a whole, is not going to depend on the sweet will of the "Paramount" Power.

Taxation In India

The annual session of the Associated Chambers of Commerce at Calcutta has passed a timely resolution drawing the attention of the Government of India to the high level of taxation in the country, made the more serious "by the unjustified continuance of temporary taxes imposed to meet emergency conditions." The Indian public have long protested against high taxation in the country but the predominantly European Chambers of Commerce have begun to join the protest only when their interests have begun to be affected. They now profess a keen solicitude for the interests of the eighty per cent of the consumers in the country, who are agriculturists, and suggest to the Government of India "to take such action as might be necessary to ensure that agricultural interests are adequately protected by Tariff Boards in future." This is clearly a self interested call for the reduction of protective duties on imported articles than concern for agriculturists. If these Chambers feel for agriculturists why do they not demand the abolition of the salt tax or the lowering of the exchange ratio which now mulcts the agriculturists of 12 per cent. of the price for the produce?

"Land Of Arabs"

Speaking at a luncheon to inaugurate united Christian effort for peace in Palestine, Cardinal Hinsley struck a sensible note when he said that "the land of the Arabs belonged to the Arabs." Mere verbal expressions of sympathy apart, that is the only basis on which a genuine approach can be made to solve the Palestine problem. "The primary principle for colonizing or mandatory powers," the Cardinal further observed, "is the well-being of the people. Commercial interests are secondary and unimportant." This sounds a too complacent interpretation of imperialist policy. The whole course of British dealings—as recently evidenced in Palestine—has been dominated by considerations of imperial strategy and the very commercial spirit which the Cardinal deprecates. In any case we join the Cardinal in wishing for an early peace in Palestine but that will not be established unless Britain genuinely accepts the basic fact that "the land of the Arabs belong to the Arabs."

Saklatvala

The Lover Of Art

By "Dim"

The name of Saklatvala has connoted many things. When you hear of it in England you think of the firebrand that was for many years the member of Parliament for Battersea Park. In his case it connoted Communism. Out in India we thought of the man, who, until his recent and untimely death, was the symbol of industry, of iron and steel, of sport, and of the mills with all of which the House of Tatas, of which he was the chairman, was connected.

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But in a corner of this city, on the top floor of an old-fashioned block of offices, not far from the tumult of the stock exchange and its panics, is to be found a man who is perhaps rightly called—Saklatvala, the lover of art. His initials are "J. E."

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He is different from all the rest. An old man of eighty years, he is passionately fond of art and of the things in life which give a man aesthetic pleasure. One would hardly believe that in that one little room of his which is his office, he has what is considered to be the best Omar Khayyam library in the world. It is the result of many years of hard labour and patience and courage. It is not always the rich who can command the good things of this life, but those who have fought for them and struggled and won. That is the sort of man Saklatvala is. "Courage" should have been on his coat of arms.

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But Omar Khayyam is not his only valuable possession. He has two pictures which have a marvellous history. He told me how many years ago, there had come to India the sons of some English noblemen who wanted to live in this glamorous country and imbibe some of its culture. They had bought a house for themselves and among the things, that they brought with them, were these two pictures, which hung in their house and brought to it that atmosphere in which they were almost soaked. They were not men of commerce, but men of leisure and men who wanted to live life 'midst the grandeur of art and beauty.

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When the time came for them to return to Europe, they did not want to take everything back with them and through some friends they approached the first Sir Jamshedji Jeejeebhoy who bought them for his house in Poona. The pictures being of Venus and Danae were not what we would call exactly well-clothed, and Saklatvala tells how the ladies of the house with their orthodox ideas of decency preferred to keep the picture covered with a sheet of cloth.

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Years passed and these pictures came in the hands of J. E. Saklatvala. He knew that they were interesting pictures but he had little idea what they were and by whom. Years of study revealed that one of these was probably a genuine Titian, or more correctly one of the lost Titians. The great artist had painted a series of "Venus re-creating herself with music" and this was one of the series. There is ample evidence to show that Saklatvala is right and he has now taken the most expert opinion on the picture and convinced himself of its identity. It has given him a satisfaction which can never be valued in terms of money.

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Likewise the other picture is that of "Danae and the Shower of Gold." But this is only copied from the original of Titian, which now rests in the museum at Naples. It is done by one of Titian's greatest pupils, Antonio G. Ambrogio. So that you have in this very town of yours two of the most fascinating pictures there are in the whole world of art. They are of an age and a period when art was perhaps at its height. Some four hundred years have passed, and gradually we have less and less of the soul and more and more of the body in the things that stand for art in our time.

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I am given to understand that the Omar Khayyam collection may be preserved for India, as the Cama Institute may take them over and create a separate department for them. I sincerely wish this would happen, for an Omar Khayyam collection is something that would be a cherished treasure in this country. And I would, speaking for myself, like even the pictures of Titian and his pupil retained in India rather than that some dollar-

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A FINANCE MINISTER SPEAKS

"No Sacrifices And Burdens Too Heavy For Social Action"

(By Economicus)

"Some Social Aspects of Government Finance" should ordinarily suggest a ponderous harangue with definite prospects of unrelieved and interminable boredom and when our Finance Minister, Mr. A. B. Latthe, announced it as the subject of his lecture one was frankly not prepared for the kind of speech he actually made with its surprising quality of lucidity, its power of exposition of a subject that is believed to be as difficult as it could be dull and its brilliant analysis—a treatment briefly that one expects of the versatile intelligence and mind of a G.D.H. Cole who could write a popular text book on economics as well as a detective story.

Ideological Clash

Mr. Latthe begins by defining the function of government finance in general and intelligible terms and launches us into the present day situation which, in his view, makes itself remarkable for the preponderence of the conception of the state with a distinct totalitarian orientation. He discerns a common tendency in both fascism and marxism and although he cannot possibly be expected to deal at length with or probe deeper into the ideological diveregence that these two conflicting theories produce, it is impossible to deny that there are many more common affinities between these two predominant ideas than either could have had with those of what doctrinnaire marxists describe variously as 'liberal democracy' and 'capitalist democracy' not without a certain amount of logical incoherence. Both are unquestionably based on the common principle of authoritarianism even if the marxists justified it as a 'transitional' stage of dictatorship of the proletariat that, at least theoretically, leads humanity towards the ultimate objective of communism. However, a vital distinction remains and it is that, as the Marxist theorists insistently point out fascism defends not only private property but stands for monopoly capitalism which communism seeks to destroy in an effort to capture the means of production of all wealth and power for the proletariat.

Mabap Complex

Mr. Latthe then proceeds with his brief but necessary survey of the international scene with its different and in some instance quite divergent ideas underlying such phenomena as planned economy and experiments in autarchy in production. He follows it up with the situation obtained in this country and the lack of ethical consistency that the policies of government finance reveals through different periods. He makes a rather curious and significant statement:

....Another point which strikes one (he asserts) is that people are developing a totalitarian sense of politics without being aware of that fact. The general outlook appears to be democratic and if you read our newspapers or hear speeches on the platform no severer condemnation of Mussolini or Hitler could be met with in this country. But the necessary urge to go to Government for every imaginable help, the hope of a new era, and the expectation that self-government must carry us by one step to the millenium are driving us in this country to the conclusion that the people want to establish a complete system of state control over every aspect of life.

The conclusion drawn in this statement may be perfectly justifiable, but the fact remains that the tendency is not restricted to local conditions alone but is inherent in human nature itself as indeed every psychologist from Le Bon to Freud admits. The latter describes the state in fact as a 'father-substitute.' And it is conditioned too by various factors arising out of our long history of political subjection and all that follows it. It is also interesting to note that some of the most important students of fascism and fascist institutions have conclusively established the unmistakable influence of both conscious and unconscious influence of fascism in many avowedly democratic countries: and this tendency is being intensified in an alarming manner in the thoughts and actions of the governing classes even in democracies

Wisdom In Sorrows

But the part of the speech which makes what the literary critics usually describe as 'stimulating' reading is concerned with the Finance Minister's recital in a style that is 'L'homme meme', with its happy gift of wit and epigram, of the sorrows and wisdom of the state minister placed in his position. Here Mr. Latthe is at his best, suggestive and provocative, not in the sense of the political polemicist of whom we have had such a surfeit, but in the truly philosophical sense. There is a touch of the Pilate about the series of questions he poses with the skill and sureness of touch of a professor not of finance but moral philosophy.

....The fact remains that people pay more for undesirable things in life than for what is good in itself and this is one of the paradoxes which one must meet with in politics.

He has to talk 'shop' naturally and he inquires into the ethics of taxation as one of the major tasks of government finance with a rare intellectual detachment and—this is most significant—a sense of all too humanness that seems to us so incongruous in an automaton buried under the dull and soul destroying routine of finance—the term itself is so depressingly intimidating. Yet he succeeds somehow in conjuring up a little romance and poetry out of it all.

The Task Ahead

One may not of course agree with the views either explicitly

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FRANKLY SPEAKING

FASCISM MARCHES ON

Central Europe is gathering the fruits of the Munich surrender. The Tokyo-Rome-Berlin axis is now extended to Budapest and the Foreign Minister of Hungary has now come out with a public declaration in favour of fascism. In a speech to his constituents Mr. Csasky maintained that Hungary's national and social policy placed her automatically on the side of the Axis Powers. He had learnt from the lips of no less personages than Herr Hitler and Signor Mussolini that a great strong Hungary lies as much in the interest of Berlin as of Rome. Which, paraphrased, simply means that Hungary must henceforward be a fascist State, armed to the teeth—, for the defence of the anti-Comintern axis. It was generally known that fascism was making headway in Hungary but the Regent, Admiral Horthy, had so far shrewdly avoided any definite commitments. Now it appears that the landslide that had begun at Munich has reached Budapest. Will it sweep over Rumania next? With democratic Powers in retreat, fascism is on the march.

RUMANIA TO OUST JEWS.

It is becoming more and more clear that under the stress of the fascist axis, Rumania, too, must fall in line with the dictator states, even though King Carol has recently shown some strength in suppressing the Iron Guards. The new Government plan, reported from Bucharest, is a significant portent. Fifty thousand Jews will "be enabled to leave Rumania every year," free transport to be provided to any Mediterranean port and nine sterling to be paid to any would-be Jewish emigrant. It is not philanthrophy on the part of the Government for, we read, that the scheme is to be financed by "contributions" from rich Rumanian Jews. Thus yet another anti-Semitic pogrom is indicated, adding to the already complex problem of Jewish emigrants. One does not know where, and when, this racial madness will end.

VOTE FOR THE CONGRESS.

At Monday's public meeting on the Azad Maidan Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel commended the right policy to Bombay's voters at the ensuing civic elections in asking them to think more of the Congress as a body than of particular persons selected to represent it. The selection could certainly have been better, and better men would have done more credit to the Congress and better service to the city. But once the selection has been made Congress candidates must all be returned by the voters. As the Sardar has pointed out once the Congress is enabled to capture the Corporation, the voters can exercise strict vigilance and pull up anyone who does not act in the interests of the masses.

UNWELCOME APPOINTMENTS

The retirement of Sir James Grigg evokes a feeling of regret that a man of great ability used it more in the interests of Britain than those of India. Even the relief at his retirement is tempered by the fear that his successor, also a non-Indian, may be worse. He has superseded senior and more capable Indians on purely racial grounds. Sir Mohomed Zafrulla Khan, has been shunted to the position of Law Member, to make room for Sir A. Ramaswami Mudaliar who, though an Indian, helped to inflict preference to Britain on his country. His appointment is a cause for concern at a time when the Ottawa Pact is due to be replaced by another. Sir Ramaswami was badly defeated by Mr. Satyamurti in the Assembly election and now becomes its member as an official Constitutionally irresponsible as all these officials are, they can be made to realise that they cannot have their way always if the Central Legislature presents a united front.

A SOUND SCHEME

Addressing a conference of representatives of social institutions and persons interested in child welfare, held at the Secretariat on Saturday, Mr. K. M. Munshi pointed out the shortcomings of the present methods of helping destitute or delinquent children and suggested a better but ambitious plan to be worked out as early as possible. Briefly, the plan is to give helpless children a few years' training in basic crafts and elementary agriculture, not under urban conditions which will make difficult the problem of absorption of the child in the village society from which he comes, but under rural conditions; to give intensive technical or academic training in suitable institutions in the City to such of the children as are fitted for it; and to impart to the rest further agricultural training and then transplant them through Farm Colonies established all over the Province. Ambitious as the scheme is, it is a sound one and an attempt in the direction cannot be made too soon. As a first step Mr. Munshi suggests a Children's Home in the Bombay suburbs, to be conducted on the lines he has outlined. If Government, the local bodies concerned and institutions interested in child welfare cooperate heartily, it should be possible to start a Children's Home in the suburbs at a very early date.

WITHOUT COMMENT

"It is obvious that in this case the ideal form for service to take is for the Government to organise compulsory games for the whole nation.

"Some people may say that such a system would do little to protect the nation from air-raids or from invasion, but it would at least stop the slashing of seats in cinemas. It is moral rearmament we want. Let us pack down solidly behind Mr. Chamberlain and push."

—"Daily Telegraph."

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"What would Dr. Dalton have done if he were in Herr Chamberlain's place at Munich?"

A brilliant retort, Mr. Premier. That's to say presuming anybody could ever have brought himself to get in such a hole.

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Mr. Chamberlain's believes more in intentions than in forms of words. Good intentions, of course, pave the way....er, ...er. ..to the surrender of Munich.

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It takes two to make an agreement, said the British Premier.

Yes, but not to break it. And in any case agreement could be dictated as every unhappy husband knows.

Play the game, Mr. Chamberlain.

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Japan-Manchu-China as an axis greased by and for Japan is the latest and best in axis manufacture (Made in Japan).

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The Breton patriots have dynamited the statue of liberty.

Why not replace it with the Nazi Fuehrer's?

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A Catholic correspondent writes to express the opinion that the news of confiscation of Catholic property in Hitlerland is an act of divine dispensation and reward of virtue.

We won't permit ourselves any uncharitable comment.

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An U. S. Major describes the German Air Force as an instrument of international blackmail.

We may expect the forthcoming conference of International Jurists in Berlin to prove its legality.

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The Viceroy has made a fervent plea to the country to "give a trial" to the scheme of Federation.

Satisfaction guaranteed—or money refunded?

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In framing the Federal Scheme, His Excellency observed, "we have in view in the first place, as a consideration of dominant importance, the unity of India."

And so they proceeded to smash it!

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There is a move, it is reported, to bring a month's armistice in Spain over Christmas tide. The Pope will be aproached to take initiative in the matter.

It is gratifying to read, however, that General Franco, "the saviour of Christianity in Spain" is not likely to agree to such an ungodly proposal.

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VATICAN CITY, Dec. 19.

The Pope inaugurated the third year of the Pontifical Academy of Science. He was more vigorous than usual and spoke for three quarters of an hour on the theme of Christmas and marvels of eternal science.—Reuter.

Now Il Duce should reply with an equally vigorous speech on Christmas and the marvels of military science—in Spain.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

No one who starts out to hunt trouble has use for a gun.

Love of popularity has put many a man out of the running.

Unless a servant knows his place he need not expect to keep it.

A politician's idea of a fool is a man who affiliates with the other party.

Sometimes a woman's alleged fright at the sight of a mouse is simply an advertisement scheme.

No, a photographer isn't necessarily a bigamist, because he takes many wives for better or worse.

"Chamberlain No Match For Crafty Dictators"

Simon To His Chief's Rescue: "Correcting Mistake Of Peace Treaties"

LONDON, December 19.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE, WHO NOWADAYS PARTICIPATES IN DEBATES LESS THAN FORMERLY, INTERVENED TO-NIGHT IN THE COMMONS TO ATTACK MR. CHAMBERLAIN, WHO IN THE COURSE OF HIS ARGUMENTS AGAINST THE NO-CONFIDENCE MOTION IN THE BRITISH FOREIGN POLICY BROUGHT BY THE OPPOSITION CLAIMED THAT MUNICH AGREEMENT WAS THE LOGICAL DECISION IN VIEW OF THE FERMENT ATMOSPHERE THEN EXISTED IN EUROPE.

He declared that the Premier's complacency was shared by nobody outside Parliament and asserted that the level of gilt-edged securities showed the genuine opinion of the Premier's friends in the city regarding the Munich Agreement.

Notwithstanding Mr. Chamberlain's four visits to the continent the clouds had darkened and were more lowering. There was anxiety about Mr. Chamberlain's visit to Rome. People thought that he was no match for the astute, crafty, ruthless and unscrupulous Dictators—and he was not.

Accusing the Premier of being obstinate and stubborn Mr. Lloyd George declared that Mr. Chamberlain said that nothing he had done in the last 18 months he wished undone. Nobody could say that unless he was very complacent.

"You cannot send a man with an obsession to Rome to meet Signor Mussolini. The Premier seems to have an idea that he will get through by shouting 'pax vobiscum.'

ALTERNATIVE TO MUNICH.

The Liberal Leader Sir Archibald Sinclair expressed "gratitude for one or two assurances in Mr. Chamberlain's very important speech," but he disagreed with the Premier that the only alternative to Munich was war.

On the contrary, it was abandonment of the League policy which brought us on the verge of war, and he feared that if this policy was persisted in, it would be very difficult to avoid war in future

Sir Archibald thought that the country ought to be given more information about the subjects to be discussed in Rome. Regarding the Far East Sir Archibald found it difficult to reconcile the Premier's statement and policy.

The Premier had fired a powder magazine which had blown Czechoslovakia to pieces, and not finished exploding yet. The Munich frontiers would not last long as the Versailles frontiers. There seemed no reason to doubt that Herr Hitler meant to move to Memel Land in the north and Ukraine in the South.

Sir John Simon said that however praiseworthy Sir Archibald Sinclair's propositions might be, they did not answer the question how the situation should have been handled at Munich when war was in danger of breaking out within a few hours.

Turning to Mr. Lloyd George Sir John Simon said what we were doing at Munich was correcting one of the mistakes of the Peace Treaties. There was no bargain between the British and Italian Governments, nor would there be, affirmed Sir John Simon, alluding to the situation in Spain.

Schacht In London

Dr. Schacht, declared Sir John, came to London in no public capacity whatever. He (Simon) had a 20-minute interview with him of an entirely personal character in which no Government business and no financial business of any sort was discussed.

Regarding the road from Silesia to Vienna Sir John Simon had no doubt that it would be the property of some German company but if there had been war all roads there would have been German. Regarding Ruthenia, Soviets, Rumania and Poland had special interests in that part of the world. British interest in the matter was to encourage nothing that was not in accordance with peace.

Labour's international policy was outlined by Mr. A. V. Alexander at the concluding stages of the debate, namely, world conference for economic adjustments and efforts to reconstruct international justice through a world court to which Britain should be prepared to refer any question and abide by the verdict, and use whatever force was necessary to implement the decision of the Court.

Sir John Simon, who concluded the debate for Government, contended that nothing had happened since the House approved of the Government's policy to justify reversal of that verdict.

Labour Motion Defeated

The Labour motion of censure was defeated by 340 votes to 143.

GOVT SUPPORTERS DISSATISFIED

LONDON, Dec. 19

The reaction of Government backbenchers to Mr. Chamberlain's speech is generally favourable. At the same time the anxiety remains that Government should speedily press rearmament.

It has been an open secret for some time that a section of the Government supporters, not identified with the Churchill group are unsatisfied that everything possible is being done for the co-ordination of defence for which Sir Thomas Inskip is responsible.

It was learned this evening that last week Mr. Hudson and the Marquess of Dufferin and Ava made personal private representations to the Prime Minister that all was not well and that their opinion was shared by a representative body of backbenchers. It was no attempt to resign.

It is understood that the Prime Minister's reception of them was friendly and the visit achieved the purpose intended.

The occurrence led to rumours that demands were made for the resignation of certain ministers, but no such demands were made. There is, however, a possibility of Government changes during the Christmas recess.

The departure of Sir Thomas Inskip for Lord Chancellorship has been a frequent forecast.—Reuter.

WELLES ENDORSES LANDON'S STATEMENT

"U. S. Won't Allow Others To Secure Foot-Hold In S. America"

WELLINGTON, Dec. 20.

The acting Secretary of State Mr. Welles has promptly endorsed Mr. Landon's statement to the effect that U. S. A. will not tolerate any foreign Government securing a foothold in any part of South America and said that the people of United States demand the continuation of all that is implied in a good neighbour policy and that in upholding the principles of traditional policy questions of political affirmation do not arise.

Mr. Welle's comment is believed in some quarters to be intended to set at rest Argentinian speculation on the continuation of good neighbour policy should the Republican Party come to power.—Reuter.

PASTOR NIEMOELLER ILL

BERLIN, Dec. 20.

Anxiety is felt by followers of Pastor Niemoeller following the reports that he is seriously ill in the Sachsenhausen Concentration Camp.

His parishioners have had no news of him for nearly a month—Reuter.

Satyamurti's Tributes To Congress Ministries

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formed one-third of the members of the Federal Assembly. The Viceroy appealed for trust. Trust begets trust. Was the Government of India Act based on trust in Indians? It was, on the other hand, based entirely on distrust of Indians. Indians were not trusted even as regards pensions of public servants.

NO ANALOGY

The Viceroy again looked for a similar state of things to happen to the Federal scheme as had happened to Provincial autonomy. But there was, Mr. Satyamurti said, no analogy between the two. There was no defence expenditure in the Province, which took away half the revenue at the Centre and was beyond the control of the legislature. There was no Upper Chamber in the Provinces with indirect elections and with power over the purse. The Viceroy had unlimited powers. He could veto all their decision. that might be according to him in the best interests of India. But good government was no substitute for self-government.

NO RESIGNATION OF CABINETS

Describing his suggestion about resisting Federation Mr. Satyamurti said he was not in favour of giving six months' ultimatum to Government. He would rather use his strategy in response to Government's move and carry on vigorous agitation exposing the fraud of Federation. Nor was he in favour of giving up office. He would rather have their ministers dismissed for refusal to carry out the Government of India's orders regarding Federation and thus create a dead lock. Non-acceptance according to him meant not merely that Congressmen should not accept Office, but also that no one else should be permitted to hold office.

The Federation must be opposed tooth and nail. It was our duty, Mr. Satyamurti continued as a self-respecting Nation to organise themselves to fight against Federation until the British Parliament yielded to their demands. As the Government of India Act stood at present it was under no circumstances acceptable to any decent-minded Indian.

SIGNIFICANCE OF CABINET CHANGES

The attitude of the Viceroy, he said, was an index of the Federation he was trying to impose upon us. The recent changes in his Cabinet show exactly what the future has in store. Sir Ramaswami Mudaliar who had been defeated in the Assembly election, was appointed an Executive Councillor. Where an Indian could be appointed, the Viceroy had a junior civilian as the Finance Member of India This solitary act spoke for the sincerity of the British Government.

Concluding he said "unless there is going to be a complete change in the heart of the British Government and a spirit that Indians should be allowed to manage their own affairs, India would never rest but fight until it reached its goal"

BHULABHAI'S THANKS

Sjt. Bhulabhai Desai then in a humorous speech congratulated the lecturer on his ample qualifications to speak on the subject he has chosen. He thanked Sjt. Satyamurti for the way he had enlightened the audience and appealed to the public of Bombay to be faithful to the Congress ideals. As a member of the Working Committee, he was not as free as Mr. Satyamurti to express his views about the Viceroy's speech until he had consulted his colleagues.

Late Mr. Rangwala.

MR. RANGWALA DEAD

The death occurred last Thursday at the age of 105, of Mr. Abdulhussein Tyebally Rangwala, one of the oldest citizens of Ahmedabad. He was a prominent Bohra paint merchant. Mr. Abdul Hussain Tyebally Rangwala had given much in charity, having erected a Bohra Sanatorium at a cost of more than a lakh of rupees 25 years ago at Saraspur Ahmedabad.

30 Passengers Drowned?

LISBON, Dec. 20.

Thirty passengers, including women and children, are feared to have been drowned and many others injured following a collision between a dredger and a ferry-boat on the Tagus, the ferry-boat sinking in less than three minutes.—Reuter.

AMERICAN LOAN TO CHINA

It Would Be Highly Dangerous, Says Jap Minister

TOKIO, Dec. 20.

The American loan to China at the present time is inopportune to say the least, said the Foreign Minister Mr. Arita at a press conference.

He added "if as the American newspapers say it is a political gesture by the United States towards Japan, it will be highly dangerous."

The same comment could be made on the British loan to the Chiang Kai-Shek regime, though he is inclined in both cases not to regard them as political gestures.—Reuter.

Italians Satisfied With Chamberlain's Speech

ROME, Dec. 20.

Mr. Chamberlain's speech in the Commons made a good impression in political circles.

Italians note with satisfaction that the attempts to discredit and prevent Mr. Chamberlain's visit to Rome are unsuccessful.

Mr. Chamberlain's statement that he does not expect to bring back any specific agreement has caused no surprise as the forthcoming talks are regarded chiefly as a full and frank exchange of views.—Reuter.

Germany Pleased With Chamberlain's Speech

BERLIN, Dec. 20.

Mr. Chamberlain's speech has met with appreciative approval in German political circles. They say, however, that they cannot understand why Germany is so often characterised as the black sheep of Europe.

A spokesman declared that Germany was willing to co-operate with all states willing to work for peace. The spokesman added, "We are not struck by Mr. Chamberlain's speech. We like peace as much as he does."—Reuter.

Reply To Tokic's Encroachment

LONDON, Dec. 19.

All newspapers dwell on the credits to China as evidence of Britain's determination no longer tamely to acquiesce in Japanese encroachment on foreign rights and interests. There is reason to believe that the Government are specially displeased at the continued closure of the Yangtse and Japanese excuses are palpably at variance with known facts.

All indications are that the United States is equally incensed.—Reuter.

VICEROY'S SPEECH TOO OPTIMISTIC

His Appeal For Accepting Federation May Fail, Says "M. G."

LONDON, Dec. 20.

The Viceroy's speech was an optimistic speech says "The Manchester Guardian"—indeed so optimistic that few will find in it Government's last word on the subject. It was not an explanation or promise or threat but an appeal and if an appeal fails (as unfortunately appeals sometimes do) then no doubt the situation will be reviewed again. The Viceroy shares with Indian dealers of every political Party the belief that India should play an increasing part in the world and, like them, he believes that for this she must be united. At present the difficulty is to find out what a United India means.

CONGRESS OPPOSITION

Is the opposition of the Congress to Federation based simply as the Viceroy has implied on a misunderstanding of what Federation involves? Is it wise to rely on the present doubts vanishing as easily as the doubts about Provincial Autonomy vanished?

DON'T HUSTLE PRINCES

The Princes, it is true, must not be unduly frightened now or they will be reluctant to commit themselves and their dynasties, when an answer will be required of them next year. There is no need for the British Government to hustle them into altering their internal structure But even the deepest sympathy with doubters and opponents in British India is not going to reassure them. Their fears may be exaggerated, but they will not disappear by our poohpoohing and hoping for the best.—Reuter.

ONTARIO PREMIER BREAKS WITH MACKENZIE KING

OTTAWA, Dec. 20

"Unbounded confidence" in Mr. Mackenzie King, the Canadian Prime Minister, was voted to-day by the Liberal Party caucus called to discuss the break between Mr. King and the Ontario Premier Mr. Hepburn, who recently stated that he would oppose the Federal Liberal Party as long as it was led by Mr. King.

Mr. Hepburn had many friends at the meeting but they apparently disagreed with his creation of the situation which they considered undermined the prestige of Mr. Mackenzie Kings Government.

Mr. Mackenzie King formally announced that he would lead the Liberal Party to the next general election. He added that he hoped that the meeting would mark a new beginning of friendly and helpful co-operation between all the members of the Party throughout Canada.—Reuter.

Danger Of Postponing Federation

LONDON, Dec. 20.

The "Times" in a leader on Lord Linlithgow's address to the Associated Chambers of Commerce says that the speech was a reasoned defence of federation as the best practical way for solving the complex constitutional problem which India presents.

"In the troubled but formative period of history confronting this generation, India must be united if she is to fulfil her destination worthily. There is no escape from this conclusion."

After stating that the arguments advanced against Federation, notably by the Congress, are well-known, the "Times" continues. "Apart from the most particular danger to which the Viceroy referred, there are other grave disadvantages in the postponement of Federation until the states have democratised their institutions.

"So far from promoting Self-Government in the states, it would delay it and increase political uncertainty and anxiety".

Declaring that members of the Congress Party have been fomenting trouble in many states, the "Times" adds, "If Congress leaders suppose that demonstrations of this sort will lead the British Government to alter the Federal chapters of the Government of India Act, they will be disappointed.

The answer to Mr. Sorensen's question in the House of Commons yesterday makes it clear that no such modification or change is contemplated".—Reuter.

TENSION AT TIENTSIN

SHANGHAI, Dec 19.

His Majesty's escort vessel "Grimsby" is being despatched to Tientsin, where tension between the Japanese and British and French Concessions' authorities continues unabated.—Reuter.

Repression In States Moves Mahatma

GANDHIJI'S GUIDANCE FOR SATYAGRAHIS

No Outsiders For Dhenkanal: Darbar Gopaldas Arrested At Rajkot

WARDHA: DEC. 20.

It is now learnt that Mahatma Gandhi, who has been deeply moved by the reports of terrible repression which has followed in the wake of the movement, launched upon by the States' people in different parts of the country, with a view to securing Responsible Government, under the aegis of the Indian Rulers, has been persuaded to take more direct interest in States' peoples' struggle.

Mahatma's Guidance

Accordingly, the States' peoples' leaders, who are already engaged in the struggle, may henceforth, look forward to personal supervision and guidance from Mahatmaji himself.

DHENKANAL STRUGGLE

Mr. Harikrishna Mehatab, one of the leaders of the Dhenkanal Satyagraha movement, left Wardha with well-defined instructions from Gandhiji about the future course of action there. He has further been instructed to keep Gandhiji posted with all important developments in connection with the Dhenkanal Satyagraha movement.—United Press.

DARBAR GOPALDAS ARRESTED

Hartal In Rajkot: Students Also Join

(From Our Correspondent).

RAJKOT, Dec. 20.

Nearly 10,000 persons received Darbar Gopaldas at the town station. When Darbar Saheb alighted from the train he was garlanded by Sarmukhtyar Gajjar, pleader Gajanan Joshi, Shri Shardaben Parikh and Mrs. Bhagwanji Mehta. When Darbar Saheb entered the State limits he was served with a notice. The Darbar Saheb addressed a big crowd which had gathered there and said he heartily thanked people for their grand reception and declared it was Sardar Vallabhbhai only by whom the end of this struggle could be brought about.

POLICE AT STATION.

He was soon arrested by the State Police Officer, Mr. Rubin.

The station master and ticket-checkers were replaced by Agency police. Mr. Nanavati, Agency Police officer, enquired of so many persons whether they had platform passes and drove away some persons from the platform inspite of their having platform passes with them.

The necessary steps against this illegal and uncalled for act are, it is understood, to be taken by those concerned.

With Darbar Gopaldas also arrived his son Mr. Suryakant and Mr. Babubhai Patel, member of the Bombay Assembly.

A hartal is being observed in Rajkot and all students have joined it as a protest against the arrest of Darbar Gopaldas.

The procession came to Azad Chowk and formed in a public meeting where Dr. Gajar spoke.

State Fozdar Kassam has been transferred to Sardhar and the Sardhar Fozdar Motibhai to Rajkot.

As a mark of protest against Mr. Venibhai Buch's arrest at Rajkot, Viramgam will observe hartal today

RAJKUMAR COLLEGE

The Rajkumar College Council meeting was held today. The Rajkumar College is to be turned into a Public School from 1st January.

Many prominent persons including Rao Saheb Thakarshi Makanji Ghia and many other Jains including women have begun fasting and praying for peace Shanti-Jap).

LEGISLATORS RESIGN

It is understood 52 members of Rajkot State Praja Pratinidhi Sabha have tendered their resignations.

The Darbargadh picketing passed off peacefully. None were arrested

ATTACHMENTS

The police attached two safes and two almirahs at the shop of Mr. S. C. Kothari against Rs. 500 fine. The police could not get even two Punch. Hence the Punchnama was made with one Punch. None were available for removing the attached goods therefore the police removed one cupboard, keeping two police at shop.

ARRESTS AND COVICTIONS

At the Azad Chowk meeting eleven were arrested including Mr. Bhaktiba Desai and Rao Saheb Dr. Lalubhai Shah. All were released later, except Dr. Lalubhai, who was taken in jail. His arrest was made for breach of notice.

Mr. Chhotulal Hemchand, a local millionaire was sentenced to three months and Rs. 500 fine, Chhotulal Popatlal, advocate, was sentenced to three months and Rs. 300 fine, both rigorous and in default one month more.

NO OUTSIDERS FOR DHENKANAL

CUTTACK, Dec. 20.

Pursuant to the express wish of Mahatma Gandhi to stop the sending of Satyagrahis to Dhenkanal from British Orissa, outsiders will not henceforward be sent there to offer Satyagraha.

It has been decided to open a school outside the State limits to give training to the State people desirous of carrying on fight inside the State.—United Press.

Cutch State's People's Conference

MUNDRA (Cutch), Dec. 20.

Next Monday the Cutch Praja Parishad open session begins. The Reception Committee is trying its best to cope with the traffic. Special request has been made to all delegates specially from the interior to come to Mundra by carts, camels, horses etc. The volunteers under training have been asked to come to Mundra on 28 December.

The President-elect, Mr. Meherally is expected to arrive on 25th in Bhuj, from where he will drive down to Mundra. A procession will be taken out on the 26th.

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Pigeon Post

In this survey of world achievements of many kinds we have no time for mere tricks; but we can, perhaps, afford three minutes for the whimsical little hobby of a man who likes doing things differently.

He is Mr. Hugh Campbell, General Manager of the Hazelton Brick Company in Pennsylvania. What he does need not be done, but it is rather a jolly thing, and it certainly adds variety to the lives of his customers, mostly architects and builders.

Instead of sending a reply-paid card to his customers, soliciting orders, Mr. Campbell delivers a pigeon in a cage. It is an odd thing to do, but the client soon gets used to it, and is, indeed, very pleased to receive the little visitor. On the cage is a card explaining that the pigeon will carry back orders slipped into its leg-band, and there is usually a request that the sender will note the time when the bird is released.

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Mr. Campbell became interested in pigeons about 12 or 13 years ago He trains them with great care, and some time ago he was the winner of the National Championship with a pigeon which flew 288 miles in 54 minutes.

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TEXTILE INQUIRY

Marwari Chamber On Night Shift 'Benefits'

ECONOMY MEASURE?

But Workers Protest, It Tells On Their Health: & Demand Extra Allowance

THE TEXTILE INQUIRY COMMITTEE BROKE NEW GROUND WHEN SIX WORKERS FROM VARIOUS MILLS IN THE CITY GAVE EVIDENCE OF THEIR ACTUAL FIRST-HAND EXPERIENCE OF THE CONDITIONS OF WORK IN THE CITY MILLS, BEFORE THE COMMITTEE ON TUESDAY EVENING.

The Hon. Mr. Justice H. V. Divatia presided.

Fear Of Victimisation

THE WORKERS ALLEGED THAT SINCE 1928 THEIR "BONES HAD BEEN BROKEN" AND THEY DID NOT DARE TO JOIN ANY TRADE UNION FOR FEAR OF VICTIMISATION.

The representatives of the Marwari Chamber of Commerce, who were examined earlier in the day, stated that the claims of the Managing Agents for commission, of depreciation on plant and of the shareholders for dividend must claim precedence over labour wages, in considering the capacity of the industry to pay.

The Marwari Chamber was represented by Messrs. Gajdhar Somani, Madanlal Nemani and K. V. Acharya.

In the course of their written memorandum, the Chamber stated that from a general point of view living wage standard would mean a wage standard on which a worker can live as an efficient and steady worker. The living wage standard could not be the same in all centres.

WHY GENERAL MINIMUM WAGE?

On the question of fixing a minimum wage they expressed themselves as opposed to the fixing of a general minimum for all industries and occupations or for all departments in the same industry, because that would completely ignore such essential considerations as labour supply and demand, skilled and unskilled labour, migratory or substitute labour, steady attendance, etc. But they were not opposed to the idea of fixing a reasonable minimum wage for each separate occupation.

They were also against any special machinery for automatic adjustment of wages; but whenever a serious conflict threatened the disiocation of the industry the Government should step in and fix a minimum wage or revise the one already fixed, as the case may be.

The Board did not accept the principle involved in the contention that industries enjoying protection should bear the responsibility of a minimum wage. To impose such a burden on the industry would amount to taking away with one hand what was given by another in the shape of protection.

NIGHT SHIFT ESSENTIAL

They were definitely of opinion that night-shift working was essential for the very existence of the industry. As regards the hours of work and wages they suggested that the system of stopping all work at midnight followed in Ahmedabad, may be more generally adopted.

They thought that it would not be advisable to limit the amount of dividends payable to shareholders or to introduce impracticable schemes of profit-sharing. They also wanted that the managing agents should be assured of the expenses of running their office and 10 per cent. on the net profits.

They believed that a healthy trade union movement would be helpful alike to the employers and the employed; but they wanted the unions to be kept from the domination of outsiders actuated by political motives.

DECLINE IN PRICES

In a supplementary memorandum the Chamber stated that the trend of cloth prices were deteriorating and that prices were drifting to more and more uneconomic levels. Since the interim recommendations made by the Committee were chiefly made in anticipation of good prices ruling, they thought the question should be carefully considered. If the mills were subjected to further handicaps, they feared that the movement of the textile industry from Bombay to other Provinces would be accelerated.

Questioned by the Chairman they stated that some members of the Marwari Chamber were owners and proprietors of mills. They were also members of the Millowners' Association and they subscribed to the views expressed by the Millowners' Association. But the views expressed by the Chamber might not necessarily be shared by the Millowners' Association.

They thought that before they were asked to give higher wages the Government should give more education to the workers so that they may realise their responsibilities.

They admitted that in fixing a minimum wage consideration should be given to living wage standard. That would prove a valuable guide in fixing actual wages. That implied that it was necessary to arrive at a living wage standard but they contended that such a standard should be only one of the considerations and not the sole consideration in fixing the minimum wage.

They wanted minimum wages for different occupations on the lines adopted by the Millowners' Association but there should not be any uniform standard in all mills. Each mill should be allowed to compete.

MEASURE OF ECONOMY

Questioned by Mr. V. L. Mehta they said that in days of hard competition night shift work was essential for the existence of the industry. They explained that the comparative paucity of night-shift may be due to the fact that efficient labour force was not available there for night-shift. Since night-shift was essentially a measure of economy they were not in favour of any extra-allowance. They suggested that the Ahmedabad system of arranging double shifts in such a way that work would cease by midnight might be adopted.

Questioned by Mr. D. R. Gadgil they stated that the Millowners' Associations in Ahmedabad and Bombay had made elaborate inquiries on the question of fixing a minimum wage and they were prepared to accept the verdict of those bodies. They had no objection to the minimum wage schedules being extended to Khandesh and other districts. They only accepted the general principle of minimum wages for different occupations. They would not advocate the principle of any control of labour wages by legislation.

They did not accept the principle that a protected industry had any special responsibility to guarantee minimum wages. Protection was given with a view to meet foreign competition and it was not sufficient to cover extra labour charges.

Night-shift was at first introduced to meet an increased demand. But it was being kept up only as a measure of economy. They would rather risk a glut on the market by double production than forego the economy of night-shift.

Questioned by Mr. S. A. Brelvi they said that the actual wages paid to workers were enough to meet economic necessities of workers. It was necessary that the workers should earn Rs. 30 to 35 to get the minimum necessities as they conceived it. Asked if they had any idea as to how many workers were the sole bread winners of their families, they said that that was a matter for complete inquiry.

PROFIT SHARING SCHEME

Asked as to why they considered any profit sharing scheme impracticable, as the Tata's were working such a scheme they said that the Tata's had practically the monopoly of their industry and that in the present state of the textile industry it was not practicable to adopt such schemes.

To questions put by Mr. Sakralal Balbhai they said that if one province were not to suffer it would be necessary to have an all India inquiry to arrive at an idea of a family budget.

The number of workers employed on a thousand spindles was the greatest in India.

To Mr. S. D. Saklatvala they said that the Tariff Board when going into the question of protection had assured itself that the industry was being carried on in a reasonably efficient manner.

So long as the Trade Unions functioned properly they did not mind the existence of outsiders in the Unions, so long as they did not use the Union for political ends.

Questioned by Mr. K. K. Desai, they said that till the capacity of the industry to pay improved wages there was no alternative to paying the present wages or closing down the mills. In judging what the capacity of the industry to pay was, they should first allow for a ten per cent. commission to managing agents, depreciation on income tax basis, and such dividends to shareholders as would attract capital to the industry. These should get precedence over labour because they were essential for the very existence of the industry without which labour could not exist.

To questions put by Mr. R. A. Khedgikar they said that workers should be kept aloof from politics because the uneducated worker fell a victim to theories. Before training them politically they must be educated and made to realise their responsibility. They had, however, no objection to harmless political propaganda to get the votes of the workers.

MILL WORKERS EXAMINED

Resuming after lunch the committee examined a group of six workers from the city Mills.

One of the workers said that he was on night-shift during the last two months. He was on permanent night-shift and there was no change over. For eight years before that, he was on day-shift. He was getting Rs 33 then and continued to get the same salary at present.

He worked for nine hours in the night with a recess from 10-30 p.m. to 11-30 p.m. He slept for six hours in the morning and an hour and half in the afternoon. He did not feel refreshed after his morning's sleep.

Night work did not agree with him. Due to the overhead dazzling lights his eyes were giving him trouble. He had also itchings all over the body. Within the two months, he was ill for a fortnight. He could not maintain efficiency throughout the night. After the recess hour he felt sleepy and put in less work.

To questions put by Mr. V. L. Mehta he said that four others of his family lived with him. He could not sleep in his room during the day time but slept in a gymnasium.

To Mr. S. A. Brelvi he said that during the recess at night he took his food and could not sleep. He would be glad to have a longer interval.

To Mr. S. D. Saklatvala he said that he slept for nine hours when he was on day work and had to sleep one hour less while on night-shift.

NIGHT WORK TELLS ON HIS HEALTH.

Answering questions put by Mr. K. K. Desai, he said that he generally took two meals a day. But when on night shift he had to take one extra meal. He felt generally constipated after night work.

In reply to Mr. R. A. Khedgikar he said that about two months ago when, he was on day duty he fell ill, he went to his village without leave as leave was refused. When he came back he could not get his old job. He approached the Labour officer and finding no relief for a fortnight he had to take to permanent night-shift.

Another worker answering the same set of questions had a slightly different tale to tell.

He said that he was on night work in alternate months. He, his wife and seven children lived in a "jhopdi" at Ghatkopar. He paid a rent of one rupee. He had no complaint about sleep and did not feel any great difference between day shift and night shift. He slept for six hours when on night shift and found it enough. His only complaint was that he felt a little eye strain due to the dazzle of overhead lights.

He would prefer the night shift to commence earlier and close by midnight. He would certainly like to have night work shortened by one hour for the same salary.

NO ADEQUATE COMPENSATION.

Describing the troubles that double siders laboured under, Erappa, a worker in the jubilee mills said that he began working on double sides more than a couple of years ago. While working as a single sider he was getting Rs. 25. As a double sider he earned Rs. 34. The strain of double side working was very great because the spindles and

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A SHORT STORY

Love My Dog

(By Richard Hill Wilkinson)

When the Hardings moved in next to the Shears on Brich street, Mrs. Shear was delighted to discover there was a daughter in the family.

"You must get acquainted with her," she said to her son, Owen. "The Hardings are nice people. Margery is two years younger than you. Knowing her will be a nice change from the—er—other girls you've been going out with."

Owen wasn't so sure. He could picture the type Margery Harding would prove to be. Old maidy and smug and plain and high hat. He would much prefer, he decided the—er—other girls to whom his mother had referred.

Then, three days after the Hardings had moved in, Owen glanced over the back yard fence and saw a vision with ash-coloured hair and brown eyes and full red lips and a divine figure. His eyes nearly popped from their sockets. He rushed into the kitchen.

"Mom," he said, "take a look out the window. Is that—could that be Margery Harding?"

"Why, yes," declared Mrs. Shear, glancing through the window. "Isn't she attractive?"

Owen cleared his throat. "Mom, we haven't been a bit neighbourly since the Hardings arrived. Don't you think I ought to call?"

"Why, Owen, that's very nice of you. We'll both call this afternoon."

"No, mom." Owen coughed again. "I—er—wouldn't want Margery to think I was tied to my mother's apron strings. I think I'd better go alone."

It was Sunday, and Owen had plenty of time to get ready. The finished product, as surveyed in his bedroom mirror, wasn't bad at all. No, sir, he thought, not bad at all.

At 4 o'clock Owen mounted the steps to the Harding's front door. He rang the bell. Hurried footsteps sounded in the hall. The door opened, and just at that moment a large, tail-wagging and friendly canine came bounding up the steps, brushed past Owen and galloped into the house. Owen grabbed the door jamb in the nick of time to keep himself from falling.

He would have sworn and kicked the dog in the slats, but standing in the doorway was the lovely ash-blonde vision. So he grinned, and the lovely vision smiled.

"I'm Owen Shear," he explained. "Next door. I thought—er—I ought to call."

"Oh," said the vision. "Mother and father aren't home."

"That's swell!" declared Owen. "I mean—er—well, I suppose—"

"Won't you come in?" said Margery.

Owen followed Margery into the living-room. The big, friendly dog was lying on the divan, tongue lolling, tail thumping the upholstery. Owen sat down in one of two remaining chairs. Margery sat in the other.

Instantly the dog leaped from the divan, pranced over to Margery and laid its head in her lap, rolling its large brown eyes up at her. Margery reached out and lightly creased the silky hair.

"It's a nice, dog, Isn't it?" remarked Owen, wishing fervently that the mutt would get out of the room.

"I suppose he is, as dogs go," said Margery.

Owen had an uncomfortable feeling that he had said the wrong thing. The dog suddenly left Margery and leaped up into Owen's lap. Owen was so startled that his mouth fell open. Then he grinned. Despite the fact that the brute was mussing up his suit and deranging his tie, he thought it would be tactful to grin.

"You like dogs, don't you?" Margery said.

"Oh, I love 'em," said Owen, suppressing a longing to push the canine off on his ear.

Margery sighed. "Some people like dogs better than they do people."

Owen squirmed. He had said the wrong thing again. He wasn't getting to first base with the vision. In fact, she was acting as though she had actually taken a dislike to him.

Suddenly he had an idea. The smart thing to do was to go home and call her on the 'phone and make a date. Without that damned dog around he felt he could handle the situation much better.

"Well," he said, rising, "I only thought I'd drop in. Just a—er—neighbourly call, you know."

"It was very nice of you," said Margery coldly. She followed him into the hall. The dog had returned to the divan, where he squatted and watched them with his tongue hanging from the side of his mouth.

"I—I'll call you up sometime," said Owen, opening the door. "Good bye."

Margery stared at him horrified. "Wait a minute! Aren't you going to take your mongrel with you?"

"My mongrel!" cried Owen. "It isn't mine! It's yours!"

"The idea! He came in with you and mussed up our divan and—". She broke off as the humour of the situation struck her. She looked at Owen and Owen looked back, and suddenly they both began to laugh.

"What a neighbourly neighbourhood!" exclaimed Margery. "The dog was paying a call, too." At which point the dog leaped from the diven, ran between them and bounded through the door.

Owen closed the door. "Do you mind if I say a little longer?" he asked.

"Please do," said Margery.

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By BUD FISHER

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THE OTHER SIDE OF THE STREET?
YEH!
THAT'S OVER THERE!
WELL, I'LL BE--- I WAS JUST OVER THERE AND SOME GUY TOLD ME IT WAS OVER HERE!
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BASIS FOR CAREER

Dr. Dhalla On "Good Thoughts And Good Words"

Dastur Dr. Dhalla, the High Priest of the Parsi Community, spoke in the Cowasji Jehangir Hall, on Tuesday evening on good thoughts and good words as the basis for a career.

He said that the Western theories, of Darwin, Spencer and Huxley attributed a lowly animal origin to man, and without tentering into the merits of a controversial hypothesis, it could be said that man was distinguished from the rest of creation, by his gift of reasoning.

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He exhorted the audience to break the bonds of imprisoned thought, the fetters of meaningless custom, and exercise the godly gift of reasoning.

Sir Byramji Jijibhoy presided and the Doctor was garlanded towards the end by Mr. Framroze E. Bode.

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All-India Weather

(From Our Correspondent)
POONA, Dec. 20.

The following are the maximum-minimum temperature and rainfall figures recorded at various stations during twenty-four hours ending 8 a.m. today:—

Station	Temperature Max	Min.	Rainfall Past 24 Hours	Since 1st Nov. Total	Difference to Normal
Agra	82	43	—	—	—0.3
Amraoti	65	53	—	—	—0.8
Akola	84	49	—	—	—0.8
Ahmedabad	91	58	—	—	—0.2
Ahmednagar	84	46	—	—	—0.9
Ambala	77	43	—	—	—0.5
Allahabad	78	47	—	—	—0.5
Benares	76	45	—	—	—0.5
BOMBAY	86	67	—	1.1	+0.7
Bangalore	79	56	—	0.1	—3.3
Baroda	91	48	—	—	—
Belgaum	81	53	—	1.1	—0.8
Bijapur	83	52	—	0.1	—1.2
Bhavnagar	87	58	—	—	—0.1
Calcutta	80	51	—	0.1	—0.7
Cawnpore	83	49	—	—	—0.5
Calicut	89	70	—	1.4	—4.7
Colombo	87	74	—	7.7	—8.5
Cochin	87	72	—	6.4	—1.5
Delhi	81	42	—	—	—0.4
Gorakhpur	75	49	—	—	—0.3
Hyderabad (Dn.)	82	49	—	—	—1.2
Hyderabad (Sd.)	80	57	—	—	—0.1
Indore	82	48	—	—	—0.5
Jhansi	86	46	—	—	—0.3
Jubbulpore	84	46	—	—	—0.8
Jaipur	83	51	—	—	—0.3
Karwar	88	66	—	1.8	—0.2
Karachi	82	60	0.2	0.2	+0.1
Khandwa	88	48	—	—	—0.8
Lucknow	79	46	—	—	—0.3
Lahore	75	44	—	—	—0.3
Multan	72	52	—	—	—0.2
Mysore	81	60	—	0.4	—2.5
Madras	82	65	—	2.6	—16.2
Marmagoa	80	66	—	1.0	—
Malegaon	85	48	—	0.1	—0.5
Mangalore	90	70	—	2.1	—1.3
Mercara	73	56	—	1.9	—1.9
Nagpur	83	50	—	—	—1.1
Patna	74	49	—	—	—0.4
Peshawar	66	47	T	0.1	—0.5
Poona	84	47	—	0.3	—0.8
Rangoon	—	—	—	—	—
Ratnagiri	90	65	—	2.9	+2.0
Rajkot	89	58	—	—	—0.3
Sholapur	85	53	—	—	—1.4
Surat	93	59	—	—	—0.2
Trichinopoly	86	70	—	0.7	—6.7

T indicates rainfall of 1 to 4 Cents.

WESTERN DISTURBANCE

POONA, Dec. 20.

A fresh western disturbance lies as a low pressure area over Sind and West Rajputana and caused fairly widespread rain or snow along the North West Frontier and local falls in Kashmir.

Night temperatures were appreciably above normal along and near North West Frontier.

Chief amounts of rainfall: Pasni one and half inches, Chaman one, Dras, Ormara and Kalat half, Sonamarg, Miranshah and Harnai quarter, Dalbandin, Karachi, Parachinar and Jiwani quarter.

Forecast until the evening of twenty-first.—Fairly widespread rainfall will occur on the North West Frontier, North and Central Punjab and Kashmir.

Local rain will also occur in West United Provinces.

Heavy rainfall warning:—Moderate to heavy rain will occur in North West Frontier Province, Kashmir and North Punjab during the next 48 hours.—A. P.

COLABA OBSERVATORY, BOMBAY.

Summary of Meteorological Observations during 24 hours ending 8 a.m. of 20-12-1938.

Change of 8 a.m. barometer in past 24 hours +.020 inches.

Temperature (dry bulb) at 8 a.m. 70.4 degrees.

Temperature (wet bulb) at 8 a.m. 65.1 degrees.

Maximum temperature during 24 hours 86.2 degrees 0.1 (below normal).

Minimum temperature during 24 hours 66.9 degrees 1.3 (below normal).

Relative Humidity at 8 a.m. 74 p.c.

Direction of wind at 8 a.m. ENE

Velocity of wind at 8 a.m. 7 miles per hour.

Total movement of wind in 24 hours 112 miles.

Velocity of maximum gust of wind during 24 hours 13 miles per hour.

Extent of cloud at 8 a.m. (the whole sky cloudy eq. 10) 5.

OFFICIAL BAROMETER READING DATED 20-12-38.

At 8-7 a.m. local time (8-46 a.m. Indian Standard Time) and temperature 76.0 deg. F., a mercury barometer without index error at mean sea level would actually read 30.07 inches and a compensated aneroid 29.88 inches.

For correction of ships' instruments please subtract from the above official barometer reading 0.001" for every foot of elevation of the instrument above mean sea level.

Earthquake Report.—An earthquake shock of slight intensity at its arigin about 4760 miles away was recorded by the seismographs at the Colaba Observatory at 0hrs 5mts. (I.S.T.) on Tuesday the 20th December 1938.

Girl's Lover v. Father

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Mazagaon Police Court was the scene of confusion and commotion yesterday when the father and the lover of a girl, and their respective parties clashed, while returning from the Court. About three dozen Police Constables had to rush to handle the situation.

It would appear that the girl lodged a complaint with the Dongri Police that she was assaulted by her father time and again without provocation. The Father was summoned before Mr. Oscar H. Brown, Presidency Magistrate Mazagaon, and it transpired in the Court that the girl was in love with a man, and this was at the bottom of the alleged assaults.

The girl left the Court with her lover, after his Worship told her father, that the girl being of age, could not be restrained from walking away with any one she liked to.

PREVENTION BETTER THAN CURE

Dr. Kaul's Address At Ophthalmological Conference

"That in ophthalmology, for the matter of that, even in any other specialised branch of medicine, the preventative side was more important than the curative, and that Government would always give their careful attention to it," were the opening remarks made by the Hon. Dr. M. D. Gilder, Minister for Public Health, while opening the Conference of the All-India Ophthalmological Society, Bombay, at the Grant Medical College, on Monday morning.

Continuing Dr. Gilder referred to the appointment by Government of five midwives to work in the province, but, it was found difficult to secure the services of midwives in the rural field.

Dr. S. N. Kaul delivering his presidential address said that prevention of blindness was a problem of the first magnitude and deserved their immediate attention. According to rough estimates, corroborated by the Chairman of the Reception Committee of first Ophthalmological Congress to be held in Bombay, the number of the blind in India was 1,500,000 not to mention those who are partially blind. In more advanced countries statistical inquiries were systematically made under the instructions of acts. This was unknown in India, and no regular survey had been made in any part of the country.

Referring the four different groups in which blindness could be classified, Dr. Kaul stated that the examination of children at school was quite incomplete and unsatisfactory as yet, though in certain parts of the country it was being insisted upon more vigorously.

Sir Jamshedji Duggan, chairman of the Reception Committee, welcomed the delegates said the surgery of cataract has been the soul of Indian Opthalmology, and it was this soul that had kept the science alive in India. He then gave a brief history of the development of Opthalmology in Bombay.

The Conference which will continue till to-day (Wednesday is attended by 40 delegates from Calcutta, Madras and Northern India.

HOLIDAY CAMP FOR POOR CHILDREN

Ismailia Students' Successful Enterprise

The Ismailia Students Education Society was started four years back by some of the enthusiastic students of the Community.

Recently, the Society has added one more activity to its manifold functions. It contemplates of taking poor children, living in most congested locality of the city on a Holiday Camp during the ensuing Christmas Vacation. The Society had its trial Holiday Camp in December '37 and the first Official Camp in May 1938. The trial Camp was patronized by Mr. Ismail M. Jaffer. His Highness the Aga Khan donated Rs. 2,000 for the organization of the first official Camp. The Society has now made it a permanent feature of its aims and objects, and so far as this year's Camp expenses are concerned Mrs. Sakinbai Rahimtulla Currimbhoy has philanthrophically donated Rs. 1,000 to take 55 children on the Camp.

The Holiday Camp idea which is in all European countries aims at taking the poor children away from the crowded urban localities for about a couple of weeks with a view to give them healthy change and pleasant holiday under open country surrounding and well regulated and substantial diet.

The second Holiday Camp will be held during this Christmas Holidays and the children will be taken out for about two weeks. The Parent will not be charged anything at all and the place for the Camp is selected at Juhu, Thakore Bungalow, near the Theosophical Colony, facing the sea. Only the children between 8 and 10 are taken after they have been examined by Miss Shirin G. Patel, M.B. B.S., L.M. (Rotanda) House Surgeon of the Cama Hospital, Dr. Husseinali H. Merchant, M.B. B.S. and Dr. Kassamali G. Patel M.B. B.S. Mr. R. H. Sani, B.A.LL.B. is appointed Secretary for the Camp who possesses a wide experience for his having been associated with the last two Camps. Altogether 55 children will be taken by Bus from Friday the 23rd December from the Hall of the Society.

FOUR VICTIMS SUCCUMB

Sequel To Sunday's Stabbing Incident At Bori Bunder

Four of the ten persons, who were victims of the sensational stabbing outrage at Bori Bunder that took place on Sunday night, died during the course of Tuesday.

Enquiries at the G. T. Hospital in this connection on Tuesday night go to show that the condition of another person has taken a serious turn.

Pannachand Motichand, the second victim of the outrage died during the early hours on Tuesday at the G. T. Hospital.

Dhulir Ram Persnad, a Bhayya, another of the victims, died later in the morning at the same hospital.

Carlos D. Rocha Pinto died in the afternoon at the same hospital.

It may be recalled Carlos was waiting for a bus on the pavement opposite the Capital Cinema along with his mother and brother, after attending the Marcus Show on Sunday night, when he was set upon by Ramsarup Shankar, the Pardeshi palmist, who ran amuck.

At about 9-30 in the night Fakirshah, the watchman of the University Buildings, another of the victims died at the J. J. Hospital.

Bandra Gymkhana Elocution Competition

(From Our Correspondent)
BANDRA, Monday.

A high standard of elocution by the students was displayed at the elocution competition held at the Bandra Gymkhana yesterday evening, when His Grace the Archbishop of Bombay presided. Children from the various Catholic schools of Bombay and the suburbs took part. The pieces chosen for declaration were very interesting and little Betty Cooper a five year 'tot' from the Santa Cruz Convent, carried the house with her "Goly-wog and Jack-in-the-box" recitation. She was awarded the Challenge Cup and prize.

The team from St. Teresa's Santa Cruz not only secured three individual Cups, but also captured for their school the Championship Cup. They were followed by the Antonio D'Souza H. S. and St. Andrew's H.S. who stood second and third respectively.

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Mainly About Motion Pictures

MOTILAL
plays the lead in Saraswati Cinetone's new film: "Sach Hai," shortly to be released in Bombay.

STILL GOING STRONG

"Street Singer" Heads Popuar Pictures On Bombay Screen

The New Theatres musical hit "Street Singer" continues to draw well at Minerva in the fourth week of its run.

The main attraction is, of course, the songs of two such peerless musicians as Saigal and Kananbala.

"Prof. Vaman, M. Sc."

The Ranjit crime thriller "Professor Vaman, M.Sc.," is now in its second week at the West End. Mazhar, known as a good character actor, plays the title role with a supporting cast including E. Billimoria, Sitara, Sunita, etc. There are songs by Wahidan and Rajkumari.

"My Son"

At the Central, Prabhat's "My Son" continues to be popular. It deals with the social conflict of the present generation and features Shanta Hublikar, a new "find", who has proved a good singer.

"Bramhachari"

Huns Pictures Marathi comedy "Bramhachari" seems to have settled down at Majestic for a real long run. It is now in its 16th week. Its continued popularity is its own recommendation.

"Zamana"

The Krishin Movietone Picture "Zamana", starring Padma Devi, is in its second week at Imperial. Besides being a powerful and socially purposeful tragedy, it has real entertainment qualities which should appeal to the public.

"Industrial India"

The General Films' "Industrial India" (now in 5th week) at Opera House features Shobhana Sammarth and Prem Adib in a picture which is both entertaining and, in several ways, original.

By OUR FILM CRITIC

"Bhabi," A Notable Production

"Bhabi," Bombay Talkies latest production which was released last Saturday at the Roxy Theatre, is in many ways a notable achievement.

Without making invidious comparisons I can say that, barring 'Achhut Kannya', it is the best all-round picture the Malad studios have so far produced. It depends for its appeal on a factor which has so often been neglected in Indian films—vigorous, dramatic characterization. We are too familar with the film in which the leading lady monopolizes every scene to display her charms and talent (if any), the "hero" is in constant attendance as a sort of A. D. C. to 'milady' and the rest of the cast are just a crowd kept in the background. "Bhabi" is a refreshing relief from all that and each character has been given good scope.

At least seven characters stand out in the film. Three of these are young women. I am not sure if the author had meant them to be symbolic but they do represent three distinct types of modern Indian womanhood. To begin with, there is Renu—accomplished, elegant, modern yet not too daring, loving but not prepared to blindly worship a man under the shadow of suspicion, devoted to her father but not above laughing at the old man's idiocyncrasies. About Renuka Devi's interpretation of the role there is a strangely attractive quality. Call it the stamp of a cultured personality, a charming amateaurishness or the dignity of judicious restraint, but that strange something is there. The role itself is not so very dynamic and, in the story, its importance is secondary to that of Bimla. Yet she leaves on the film the impress of her personality—and that is surely an achievement, for this is the first big role she has played in films. And she surely can sing.

The central character is necessarily that of Bimla, the *Bhabi*—the young widow left to the care of her dead husband's best friend, silently suffering double anguish on seeing her benefactor being made a victim of scandal. By her good work in "Jeevan Prabhat", Maya Devi had established her claim to play such a role and (aided by brilliant photography and the quiet beauty of her white dress) she has done a good job of it. She is the traditional Hindu wife, worshipping the memory (and the framed photograph!) of her dead husband. She is the unconscious cause of all the complications and one's heart goes out to her in sympathy. Quite unintended by the author (in fact the film consistently avoids it) her plight raises the question of the status and life of young widows. Must they be denied marital bliss forever? Maybe some other film will seek to answer this question.

PHILOSOPHY OF A BUTTERFLY

Bela, the third girl in the story, believed (as she explains in a well-rendered but rather unnecessary song) in the philosophy of a butterfly. She believed in enjoying life and saw no harm in indulging in a series of mild flirtations. Every time she was sure it was love, the real thing, but disillusionment—or, rather, good riddance!—waited round the corner. As it happened she fell in love with someone who was already in love (according to the rules of melodrama, with a friend of hers) and none of Eve's guiles would tempt him. It must have been a sad disappointment but that is part of the game. Meera Devi plays the role with gay abandon and a certain amount of the requisite vivacity and leaves us wondering whether the butterfly's code of life is not the best one after all.

Every film hero worth his salt must be prepared to make big sacrifices for his beloved. Differences with parents on the question of marriage are a recurring theme of Indian films. The bold stand taken by Kishore to protect the honour of a friend's widow, therefore, provides a new and socially significant motif. Jairaj, in his first appearance under the Bombay Talkies banner, puts over on the whole a satisfactory performance though I expected him to do still better. He is very good, however, in some of the lighter scenes.

The best performance of the picture is shared by two absolute new-comers—Rama Shukul and V. H. Desai. The former plays a rather attractive villain. One had better watch this young man, Shukul. Even in his first screen appearance he has shown that he can act. A fine presence and an expressive pair of eyes are his particular assets. Desai breathes life into the character of the highly nervous, eccentric, hopelessly credulous but lovable Vinay Babu.

M. Nazir, as the irate father of Kishore—a slave of conventional morality who turns against his son on the basis of scandalous gossip—is forceful and his characterization provides the Age versus Youth motif.

Such is the variety of characters who make the dramatic pattern of "Bhabi". Effective characterization has been achieved by a well-constructed scenario and clever dialogues while exceptionally good continuity and editing ensure a smooth flow of sequence. The film opens on a rather distressingly slow tempo but gains momentum as it proceeds. The usual melodramatic elements are there, of course, but they are happily varied by newer twists. For once, the hero does not drown his disappointment in drink, nor does the villain hire thugs to kidnap the girl and there is a riot instead of the conventional storm scene. There are several birth-day parties and at least one of them is staged on familiar lines—in a garden, complete with strings of lights. The scene amidst the ruins (beautifully photographed) where the lovers triangle happen to be present at the same time is a little too much of a coincidence. But, then, plot complications must be solved and estranged lovers reunited and the audience sent away in a happy mood. That, however is certain. The spectators do leave the cinema, satisfied that they have seen a wholesome, enjoyable and, in many ways, a commendable film.

K. A. A.

"BETWEEN YOU AND ME AND THE LAMP . . . ."

RENUKA DEVI AND P. JAIRAJ IN A CHARMING SCENE FROM BOMBAY 'TALKIES' NEW FILM "BHABI," RELEASED AT ROX Y THEATRE.

NEWS AND GOSSIP BY "STUDIO SPY"

TWO BIG STUDIOS PLAN MERGER?

I hear that two important local studios are planning a merger. Both of them have come into considerable prominence recently because of the success of several of their productions all over India.

The details of the scheme are not yet known but the merger would no doubt enable them to launch into production on a larger scale by pooling their resources together

"Such Hai!"

It is true, we understand, that Director Chaudhrie and Motilal and Rose, the stars of Saraswati Cinetone's latest production, "Such Hai" are in the city having practically completed their picture at Poona. The film which is now being edited is expected to be one of the New Year attractions at a local theatre.

"Bhagwa Zenda", the other picture of Saraswati Cinetone, is reported to be progressing on the sets at the Saraswati Studio in Poona. Londhe has joined the cast and will play the role of Ramdas. Others in the cast include Athavle as Shivaji, Sheelawati as Jijabai and Dinker Dhere.

"Divorce"

Minerva Studios report progress on "Divorce" sets. The picture is, indeed, almost finished and will be the next change at Krishna Talkies.

The cast of "Divorce" has a surprise. Sohrab Modi will not be appearing, being too busy with his work as Director and Producer. Naseem is starred in "Divorce" with Prem Adib (currently seen in General Films' "Industrial India"), Jagirdar, Sheela and Vimla Vasishta (who was last seen in Prabhat's "Unexpected.")

"Pyame Haq"

After "Talasha Haq"—now "Pyame Haq"! This is the film under production at Vishnu Cinetone Studio with a cast including Anilkumar, Ashiq Husain, Noorjehan, etc. Their earlier production, "Royal Commander" has been released in many other towns including Bombay (at Lamington).

"The Rise"

According to reports from Calcutta, Film Corporation of India (whose maiden picture was "Asha") are now producing "The Rise", directed by Ranjit Sen. Chhaya Debi (who played in New Theatres' "Vidyapati") leads the cast.

Maya, Detective!

Sagar's next release, booked for Imperial, is "Service Ltd." Directed by Mr. Chimanlal Luhar, it has Surendra, Maya, Yaqub in the cast. The title, we learn, is borrowed from the name of a strange detective agency. The super-sleuth is Maya.

Politicians, Producers, Journalists

"Filmindia," the popular screen monthly, was at home to a rather strange company at Greens last Sunday. Politicians, film magnates and journalists—all were there. The occasion was a lunch given in honour of Mr. Satyamurti, M.L.A., the president-designate of the forthcoming of the Indian Motion Picture Congress and of the Silver Jubilee celebrations of the Indian film industry. Mr. Satyamurti's interest in the cinema is well-known and he always watches the interests of the Indian film industry in the Central Assembly.

Silver Jubilee

You may not know it but the first Indian film was produced twenty-five years ago. There is a move to celebrate the Silver Jubilee on a grand scale and a committee is busy drawing up a programme. We expect to hear more of it soon.

"Flying Ranee"

We knew it would arrive one day.

Punjab Mail—Toofan Mail' Frontier Mail—Deccan Queen—And now the "Flying Ranee"!

This is the title of Wadia Movitone's latest "Social thriller" (?) scheduled for early release at Lamington.

The Film Family!

It began with "Miyan-Biwi" Then the latter became a "Ma." Curiously enough first came the "Daughter-in-Law" (Sagar) and then came along "My Son" (Prabhat). Now comes "Bhabi" (Bombay Talkies) and "Brother Rat" will be coming (at Capitol). "Sisters" will arrive at Excelsior and no less than "Four Daughters" at Empire. The whole family is here.

"Mother India"

This time it is not an anti-Indian book by Katherine Mayo but the title of India Cine-Pictures (Ltd.) new production which will be shown shortly at Opera House.

After "Kisan Kanya", we believe, this is the second colour picture produced in India.

The cast includes Pramila, Ashiq Husain, Ghulam Mohamad and Shareefa.

By D. G. TENDULKAR

Films Of Reality For India

Ivor Montagu, the founder of the progressive film movement in England and producer, scenarist and film critic of high repute wrote to me: "Am just off to Spain to make some films myself ....There is a film here 'China Strikes Back' which would be splendid for showing in India."

This was in January, 1938 when Jawaharlal Nehru had made a public appeal for helping China. After consulting a few friends, I talked to Jawaharlal Nehru about this film "China Strikes Back" and he encouraged us to get it for exhibition in India.

This was not, however, so simple as it sounded. In India we have no Independent Film Societies as in Europe and America. Though the price quoted by the distributors was not a big sum, the people we had talked to were not enthusiastic about the success of such a new venture. Moreover there was that uncertain factor called the vagaries of censorship.

We were not, however, prepared to give in right at the beginning. Even if we failed this was a good occasion to assert the right of the public to see films which spoke the language of the hearts of the people and expressed our sympathy and support to countries like China fighting heroically against Imperialist aggression.

COMMITTEE FORMED

We therefore, formed a Committee called "China Aid Progressive Film Committee" and appealed to the public of Bombay for donations to acquire "China Strikes Back" and a few more short films of the same nature. This was in the middle of June. The public of Bombay splendidly responded to our call. By the end of October our films from America and England and China had reached Bombay.

Many people had doubted whether we would succeed so quickly We were confident of success. We knew people want to see such films—films of realities of life—films on topical subjects such as China and Spain. We had seen people flocking to see "Good Earth" and "Blockade." "March of Time" always attracted a large audience. "China Strikes Back", "Spanish A.B.C." "Behind the Spanish Lines" are of course not in the same category. "These do-

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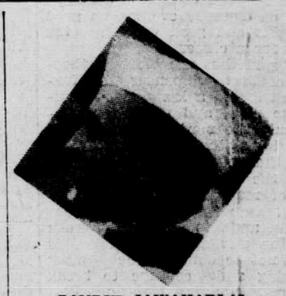

PANDIT JAWAHARLAL
who is a keen supporter of the "China Aid Progressive Film Committee," snapped last month watching "China Strikes Back."

FILMS AND NATIONAL PLANNING

Sub-Committee To Be Appointed?

It is likely that the National Industrial Planning Committee will appoint a Sub-Committee to consider the role of cinema in a scheme of national industrial planning.

The members of the Industrial Planning Committee were entertained on Sunday by the Executive Committee of the forthcoming Indian Motion Picture Congress and the Silver Jubilee celebrations of the Indian Film Industry.

Several aspects of the film industry and the role this industry would play in the scheme of industrialisation of the country, provided proper support were forthcoming from the Provincial Governments, were discussed at the gathering.

The members of the National Planning Committee were requested to pay attention to the problems of the industry as it ranked eighth among the key industries of India.

Shareefa and Anant Marathe in a scene from "Mother India," booked for early release at Royal Opera House.

E. Billimoria and Mazhar Khan in a tense moment from "Professor Vaman, M. Sc.," the Ranjit thriller at West End. (Second week).

MID-WEEK CHANGE AT BROADWAY

"Michael Strogoff" Revived

From today till Friday for 3 days only The Broadway, Dadar, brings once more by special request "Michael Strogoff", RKO Radio's picturization of Jules Verne's best-seller which vividly depicts the pagan cruelty of the fierce Tartar hordes in Siberia and of the Russians' efforts to drive them from the country. Action and pageantry, romance and comedy, are seen in "Michael Strogoff", in which Anton Walbrook, international favourite, heads a strong cast, including Margot Grahame, Elizabeth Allan and Eric Blore.

A scene from "Laf Buzakkad," now in its second week at the Krishna Talkies.

A group photograph taken on the occasion when Mr. Satyamurti was entertained by the Directors of "Filmindia."

Baroda's "Degeneration": Word Synonymous With Inefficiency And Mismanagement

Dr. Sumant Mehta's Retort To Dewan Who Claims "Close Association Of People"

BARODA:

Dr. Sumant Mehta, ex-President of the Baroda Raj Prajamandal in the course of a statement to the press states:

The statement made by the Dewan of Baroda is very uninteresting. It is wrong to say that the policy of the Baroda Government is to secure "close association of the people" with the Government.

Had that been so the Baroda Prajamandal Conference at Bhadran under the Presidentship of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel would not have passed the resolution on the constitutional reforms that it did with emphasis.

By issuing this vague and almost meaningless statement the Dewan Saheb has placed himself on the same level as Sir Patrick Cadell.

We had asked for a definite declaration of policy granting a form of Government which would be fully responsible to the people, together with the appointment of a committee in which half the members would be representatives of the Prajamandal, the other half being officials.

We take no notice of the committee appointed by the Government from members of the Dhara Sabha itself.

I agree with the Dewan Saheb that Baroda has developed on lines of its own culture and individuality. Indeed, it has done so to such an extent that the word Baroda has become synonymous with inefficiency and mismanagement.

"I feel sorry that Baroda has degenerated to such an extent that the word Baroda should have acquired such a meaning". —United Press.

REFORMS FOR HYDERABAD

Slow Progress Of Committees

(From Our Correspondent).

HYDERABAD RESY., Dec. 20.

While smaller States are forging ahead with Reform Schemes, Hyderabad styled as the Premier Indian State is still groping in the dark. The labours of the Reforms Committee are not yet disclosed, while interested parties are carrying on propaganda, that the Nizam's Government is eager to introduce political reforms at an early date. The so-called Reforms Committee has not yet completed its work. It was only the other day that another Committee was set up with Dewan Bahadur Aravamuddu Iyengar as Chairman, Messrs. Griggson, (Revenue Secretary), Khader Hussain Khan, Narsingrao, and Bahadur Yarjung as members, to go into the question of franchise to be adopted.

It is understood that the members of the Committee have not yet received any communication from Government about their appointment.

Reforms In Jodhpur

Introduction Of Panchayats And Establishment Of Advisory Boards

JODHPUR, Dec. 20.

A communique issued by the Government of Jodhpur states that with a view to associating the people with administrative problems and affording opportunities of receiving training in the working of the democratic institutions, His Highness has been pleased to introduce Panchayats, create a Central Advisory Board, and establish District Advisory Board.

The Central Advisory Board will consist of 36 members out of which 12 will be officials and the rest non-officials and nominated members. Maharaja Ajitsingh has been appointed President of the Central Board and Mr. Kishen Puri, Secretary.

The communique says that the functions of the Advisory Board will be purely advisory, and will discuss and advise Government on matters relating to education, sanitation, trade, commerce and the economic well-being of the agriculturists.

The Board will not be competent to discuss budget and appointments and functions of the Government Departments.—A. P.

Forfeiture Orders Cancelled

The Government of Bombay have cancelled their orders declaring the following publications to be forfeited:—

(1) "Swadeshi Chalvalivaril Powada" written by "Maratha" and published by M. S. Mone; (2) "Lekh-ratna-mala athva Nana Phadnavisanche Nivdak Patrancha Sangraha" compiled and annotated by Antaji Ramchandra Hardikar, and published by Balvant Ganesh Dabholkar; (3) "Drauni Mani Haran" written by Ganesh Dhondev Kane and printed by Narayan Balwant Chavan; (4) "Shri Shivaji Utsav, va Tya pasun Maharashtriyans Bodh," being apparently a speech delivered at some Shivaji festival. The pamphlet is dedicated to "Lokamanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak"; (5) "Deshabhakti Shikshan" written and published by Bhaskar Hari Patwardhan.

MAHATMA'S PORTRAIT IN ALLAHABAD 'VARSITY

(From Our Correspondent.)

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 18.

"I believe nothing except non-violence can solve our difficulties." This is the cryptic but significant message sent by Mahatma Gandhi to the Allahabad University Union on the occasion of the unveiling ceremony of Gandhiji's portrait painting in the Senate Hall of the University. Among those who attended was Amarnath Jha Vice-Chancellor of the University. Mr. Purushottamdas Tandon, Speaker of the U. P. Assembly performed the unveiling ceremony. Messages were received from Mr. Subhas Bose and Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru. The Congress President in the course of his message said that the memory of the great man should be enshrined not merely in colours but also in our hearts. Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru said that the portrait would be a perpetual reminder to the students of what Gandhiji had done for India and for what principles he stands.

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BOARD OF COMMUNICATIONS MEETS IN BOMBAY

Central Govt. Withdraws Objection To Bombay-Ahmedabad Road: Congress Ministry To Speed Up Modernising Bombay-Poona Road

A meeting of the Board of Communications was held in Bombay on the 9th December, at the Council Hall Buildings, when the Hon. Mr. M. Y. Nurie, Minister for Public Works, presided.

In opening the proceedings, the Chairman announced that Government had decided for the present not to raise a loan in respect of the seven-year programme of road development proposed to be financed from loan funds, and that consequently, a two-year programme for the year 1939-'40 and 1040-'41 had been prepared of works to be financed from the Petrol Tax Fund, which included a few works, originally proposed to be provided from loan funds and which were necessary.

The Board accepted the suggestion made by Mr. Noel-Paton representing the Indian Road and Transport Development Association that in connection with the Motor Vehicles Act, which would come into force from July next, the Board should be consulted in regard to the transport control authorities and the size of the regional areas that would be constituted so that the Board might have an opportunity to make its own recommendations.

SPEEDING-UP PLAN

The seven-year programme of road development works to be financed from the Petrol Tax Fund, as approved by the Government of India, was placed before the Board for information. The analysis made by the Government of India of the programme showed that 243 new schemes costing Rs. 142.48 lakhs related to the Road Fund, and of these 202 schemes estimated to cost Rs. 117.34 lakhs were approved by the Government of India. The remaining 41 schemes are still under their consideration. Mr. Noel-Paton's suggestion that if there were anv items in the 1939-'40 programme held up by the Government of India for some reason or other, other items of a more urgent nature should be substituted so that the construction of important roads is not delayed, was accepted by the Board. The Board was informed of the fact that the Government of India had agreed subject to certain conditions, to withdraw their objection to the Bombay-Ahmedabad Road and that they had approved a number of works on that road.

The Board agreed to the following proposals:—

(1) Reconstruction of bridge No. 226-A in mile No. 27 of the Karwar-Bellary Road.

(2) Construction of a bridge over the Tansa river near Ambadi on Bhiwandi-Wada Section of the Bombay-Ahmedabad road and to raising its priority order.

(3) Omission of the Saki-Kanjur road from the seven-year programme and substitution of the Ghatkopar-Chembur road in its place.

(4) Construction of the Shahada-Shirpur and Shahada-Nandurbar roads and the raising of the priority of the works on the Shahada-Shirpur Section.

(5) Construction of a road about 4 miles in length from Jhalod to connect with the Banswada State at an estimated cost of Rs. 75,000. Half the cost will be met by the Government of India from their reserve in the Central Road Fund and the other half will be shared equally by the District Local Board and the Public Works Department, the latter's share being met from the Petrol Tax Fund.

The Board approved of the request made by the Bombay Municipal Corporation for a grant of half the cost of widening the bottle-neck at Sion from the Road Development Fund subject to the condition that before making the grant an assurance should be taken from the Municipality that active steps will be taken to prevent the further extension of ribbon development on the Bombay-Agra Road.

MODERNISING BOMBAY-POONA ROAD

The Chairman informed the Board that Government were anxious to improve the condition of the Bombay-Poona and Bombay-Nasik roads and that the work of modernising the Bombay-Poona Road will be taken in hand very early. He stated that Government were in communication with the different Companies to place the material and machinery at their disposal. As regards the Bombay-Nasik Road, the Chairman stated that the question of funds was being considered.

The meeting terminated with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

STAR FLASHES

by CHARLES BRUNO

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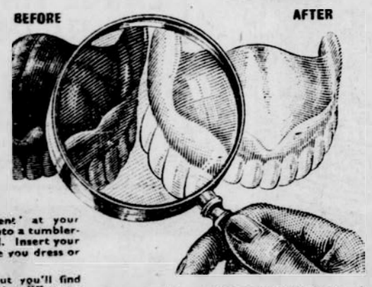

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FILMS OF REALITY FOR INDIA

(Continued from Page 10).

cumentary films are absolutely new to India."

On November 20th last Bombay saw these films and greeted them with spontaneous applause. It was a packed house—it was the most representative house that one could imagine. A few hundred Chinese were there. The house was surcharged with the spirit of the films. Among the audience were professors, doctors, lawyers, students, cinema actors and actresses and directors, writers, musicians, congress leaders, liberal leaders, labour leaders and young workers.

Jawaharlal Nehru while speaking on this occasion, pointed out "To what great educational and cultural use, the films could be put, has been best illustrated by the films about China and Spain that you have just seen."

CHINESE AUDIENCE THRILLED

"China Strikes Back", "Spanish A.B.C." and "Behind the Spanish Lines" have a running commentary in English. Three more shorts made in China by the Chinese were also shown. These had of course, Chinese titles and Chinese commentary. Films about the war manoeuvres were appreciated by the audience in spite of the Chinese titles etc. China's martial songs were applauded just for their tune and swing which indirectly revealed the necessity of martial songs for India.

The Chinese audience was simply thrilled. I saw a few Chinese friends shed tears of emotion. Then there was a film about the Chinese peasantry which rather fell flat on the non-Chinese audience. This was rather unfortunate. Its technique was crude no doubt, but it had the warmth of the modernisation of new China. It showed how China is taking to tractors. It showed how science is being used to fight the disease of the crops. But it was by no means only an instructional film. With proper cutting it was glorious material for a first rate film.

"One more important point to be remembered about this and other Chinese films is that they were made behind the fighting lines." They are done under the stress of war, which heightens their appeal. The short, "Road to Russian Turkestan" stands out as a superb material for a film of the standard of the famous Soviet film "Turksib." With proper editing this film could have been classed among those immortal films such as "Panzer Kreutzer Potemkin." The audience was not moved here with the usual sentimental stuff, but by the dynamic element of films i.e., sincere treatment of the subject.

These films could have been made much more understandable by English titles; but our Committee had not the means to get it done. Another thing about these films is that one should see them more than once to appreciate them properly. Those who had the opportunity to see them a couple of times certainly relished them more and more. This is the secret of these realistic documentary films.

In "China Strikes Back" the lense has documented China's reply to the challenge of man's fate in the Far East. It is the first motion picture ever taken of the famous Eighth Route Army.

"Spanish A.B.C." and "Behind the Spanish Lines" are the best pictures so far made about Spain. Ivor Montagu has produced them.

DOCUMENTARY FILMS

These films of China and Spain give excellent idea of the role of documentary films in interpreting the problems of to-day to the masses.

What is the Documentary Film? It is more than a purely informative chronicle of things and events. The problems which the makers of documentary films must solve does not end with the problem of how an audience may be informed. They must devise legitimate techniques for moving an audience by projecting the basic dramatic meanings implicit in the documents. The reportial coverage of weekly newsreel, and travelogues is only one element in the documentary films, and is distributed in strategic sequence patterns to achieve the effects of drama and emphasis that a commercial news cameraman cannot take into account.

The future of the documentary films in India will depend on the success of these films about China and Spain. Every city in India must form a representative Committee on the Bombay pattern and should see that these films are exhibited properly throughout India. Out of these Committees must grow the future Progressive Film Societies of India.

Cinema is a great art of the modern times having influence over the minds of the millions. Let us wield this powerful weapon consistently in the side of progress.

(Left) Sabal Singh, winner of the Marathon Race held in Bombay last week; (right) Savekar, second.

OUR READERS' VIEWS

Renewal Of Government Securities

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—Devkaran Nanjee Bank's letter to you which appears in your Saturday's issue draws the attention of the public to the decision of the Privy Council in "Secretary of State vs. Bank of India," according to which the renewer of Government Securities can be held liable by the Government any time upto 60 years in respect of the title and as to the validity of the endorsements previous to his own in the cancelled note. This judgment must shatter the universal belief of the public that once a Government Promissory Note is renewed, all doubts, if any, in respect of its title and as to the validity of the chain of endorsements are set at rest once and for all and that not only the person renewing the note but all other previous endorsers become immune from any liability or any claim in respect of the cancelled note. The effect of the judgment would also be that renewal makes no difference whatsoever and it is futile to get a note renewed in order to set at rest any doubts, and the provisions of the "Guide Book for Investors in Government Securities" (issued under the authority of the Government of India) to which your correspondent refers have been written in vain.

But I wonder if the point that these representations have been made by the Government in their "Guide Book" was taken by the Bank of India in their written statement. If it was not, the learned judges of the Privy Council would have had no chance to know of these statements made by the Government of India in their "Guide Book." For, it is difficult to believe that in face of the paras 57, 58 (1919 edition) of the "Guide Book" to which your correspondent has drawn attention, the Government could have obtained from the Privy Council a decision in their favour. I feel sure that if the Government of India had to fight such a suit again and the defence put up this point, the Government would not find it easy to get a decision in their favour, and the universal belief that renewal affords protection to the renewer as to the title and validity of the previous endorsements would continue to be rightly held.

However, it is a pity that Government should have perhaps for the first time in the last fifty years or more themselves sought to hold liable a renewer whom they had promised to protect according to their statements in the "Guide Book." Surely, the belief of the public so universally held that renewal affords protection could not have been based without some sure grounds, especially as Banks, Dealers in Government Securities and Brokers who have to handle Securities daily would not make such a mistake. But whatever may be the real position now, it is necessary that renewal must continue to afford the protection which the Security holders have always thought it had afforded them if the Government of India do not wish to make their Securities unpopular.

—Yours, etc.
NATVERIAL D. PARIKH.

"Umpiring In The Pentangular"

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—I am glad Mr. N. A. Dubash has rushed into print to vindicate himself. This is a most unusual procedure for an Umpire.

POINTS FROM LETTERS

Bassein Motor Buses

"A SUFFERER" protests against the condition of the motor buses which are plying in Bassein. They are moreover always overcrowded. The police authorities are requested to redress this public grievance.

Postal Exam.

"DISAPPOINTED CANDIDATE", referring to the very low percentage of passes in the examination held by the Post and Telegraph Department for Clerks and Sorters in October, observes: "If the number of vacancies was limited where was the necessity for advertising in the newspapers? They could have recruited the candidates from the staff itself. By advertising they have merely attracted the poor applicants and thus have been successful in making money". The correspondent requests the Department to refund the fees of the candidates.

It betrays a lack of self-confidence which is common parlance is called thick-skin—a quality absolutely essential. However his charge against me stands and I must answer.

Mr. Dubash has not only accused me for mis-stating facts but has imputed malice against him. As for the first point I shall deal later on, and for the second I can only say that I do not know Mr. Dubash even by sight to bear any grudge against him! All my criticisms were directed against his sins of omission and commission and not against him personally. Even in this respect the gravaman of my charge has always been against those who appoint the Umpires. For I maintain that if the authorities appointed only trained and experienced officials there would be much less cause for complaint.

Now referring to the incident in question, Mr. Dubash gives his own version of the case and propounds the astonishing theory that press reporters and critics should rush to the umpires and players after each incident to elucidate facts. If this procedure were to be followed in every doubtful case reporting and criticising would be reduced to a farce. I frankly admit that the Press Box at the C.C.I. is not the best place for following the game minutely. Surely that is not the fault of those who have the misfortune to sit there in judgment upon the play. I have, therefore, qualified my criticisms in this respect. As for Hindlekar's case I can only repeat that I did not notice Mr. Birtwistle referring it to Mr. Dubash. What I clearly saw was Abbas Khan and Nissar appealing to the latter simultaneously after the former had given a negative verdict and Mr. Dubash immediately declaring him "out" This was against the Rule.

In this connection, may I point out that Mr. Dubash has studiously avoided the reference to his other rulings. In the case of Jai, he does not disclaim the fact that he had raised both his hands before the ball had hit the stumps. Can Mr. Dubash defend this action in any way? Captain Wazir Ali declares that he was "not out" in the first innings of the Muslim—European match as he had never touched the ball.

If Mr. Dubash wants I can quote more chapter and verse to condemn him wholesale. But as I have stated above, I do not go by other people's versions. I state facts as I see them without the least malice against anybody. My sole purpose in criticising others is to improve the persons and institutions concerned and above all the game.—Yours, etc.,

J. C. MAITRA.

The Poona Express

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—The Poona Express, the schedule time of which is 17-44 at Neral, arrived one hour late on Monday last, i.e., it arrived at 18-44 on account of the failure of the engine between Poona and Lonavla. There was pitch dark at this time at Neral station and although the G. I. P. Railway has its own power house, Neral station is not electrified. In the absence of the electric lights a few kerosene lamps were placed and the station was so much plunged into darkness that even porters ran here and there to find out the luggage of the passengers from Matheran when the train arrived. The Railway authorities thinking that there was no mail or express train stopping at Neral station after sunset, must have thought it not necessary to electrify this station, but they did not take into consideration what would be the plight of the passengers if a train arrived late, as was the case on Monday last. Thus the passengers were placed under great harassment. Why the Railway Company has not fitted electric lights on this station is a mystery. Is it for the sake of economy? If that is so, it is a penny wise and pound foolish.

I hope the Railway Company will after this incident, immediately electrify Neral station so that in future if the trains are late, passengers will not have to suffer such inconvenience.—Yours, etc.,

A PASSENGER BY POONA EXPRESS

VILE PARLE SENSATION

House Maid Kidnapped?

(From Our Correspondent.)

VILE PARLE, Tuesday.

Great sensation prevailed last Saturday at Vile Parle, when a young woman said to be working as a "house-maid" in one of the bungalows on the Mahant Road, was driven away by unknown persons in a black-coloured motor car.

It is further learnt in this connection that the woman was returning after work and was proceeding on the road. In the meanwhile, all of a sudden, she was caught hold of and was put into the car which was parked at some dark-corner near by with head-lights off. No clue of the car or of the occupants is yet traceable, and it is said that the car was immediately driven away before people could rush out for any help.

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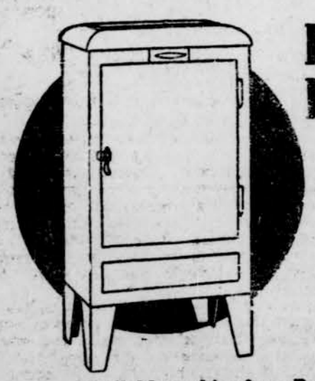

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CONTROL OF 'FUTURES' TRADING IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE

Delhi Conference Of Provincial Ministers Suggests All-India Legislation By Central Government

NEW DELHI, (By Mail.)

The following are some of the resolutions passed by the Conference of Ministers on Agricultural Marketing held in Delhi:

That the marketing scheme has already shown evidence of being of value to producers, and that all provinces and States should continue to co-operate in the future so as to maintain steady progress throughout the whole of India in regard to the improved marketing of all commodities.

MARKETING SURVEYS.

That commodities marketing surveys should generally continue to be planned and compiled on an All-India basis, but any provincial or State Government desirous of carrying out a special investigation on any other commodity may call for assistance from the Central Marketing Staff and the staffs in other provinces and States.

That the Central Marketing Staff should be responsible for the preparation and publication of the abridged marketing reports in English and Hindustani and that Provincial and State Governments should if they so desire undertake the translation and publication of abridged editions in other languages, and:

That pending the publication of the completed All-India commodity reports which must necessarily await the reconciliation of discrepancies between the various local reports. Provincial and State Governments should consider the publication of summaries embodying the main facts relating to local marketing conditions as soon as the material can be adequately checked by the Central Marketing Staff.

STANDARD CONTRACTS.

That the Central Marketing Staff should continue to negotiate with trade and manufacturing interests in India and abroad regarding the adoption of standard contracts terms for cereals, oilseeds and other products. The co-operation of the marketing staffs in provinces and States would be essential, particularly in securing the adoption of the standard contract terms by local associations for buying and selling in the 'mundies.' Provincial and State Governments might consider how far it would be necessary to give statutory authority to such contract terms.

REGULATION OF MARKETS.

That provincial and State Governments should take steps to increase as far as possible the number of regulated markets and that existing Markets Acts should be extended to cover all agricultural and animal husbandry produce and to include markets in consuming centres as well as in producing areas.

That Markets Acts be introduced in provinces and States where no regulated markets exist with a view to:

(I) The registration of markets and market charges,

(II) the establishment of regulated markets and

(III) the regulation of markets in regard to:—

(i) fixing the number and amount of market charges and reducing the number of payments in kind.

(ii) licensing of persons entitled to levy charges and market operators, e.g., 'dalals.'

(iii) standardising practices in regard to weighment, sampling, grading and sale of produce

MARKET NEWS SERVICE.

(a) that the Central Marketing Staff should continue to collect and disseminate information regarding prices, supplies and stocks in important markets of those commodities which figure prominently in the export and import trade of India as a whole or of a number of provinces and States, and

(b) that the Provincial and State Marketing Staffs should make arrangements for collecting and recording commercial prices for commodities of local importance—particularly in "key" markets—and for disseminating news regarding prices, supplies and stocks to smaller country markets and to producers in rural areas.

ELIMINATION OF WASTE.

That provinces and States should examine the possibility of more rapid assembling of perishable produce from villagers by the organisation of collecting agencies which should operate on the basis of the standard methods of grading and marking.

REDUCTION IN PRICE RISKS.

That with a view to the elimination of "fatka" (Satta) markets of the gambling type and the establishment of proper "futures" markets controlled by large financially sound and stable associations operating on a non-profit sharing basis, the Central Government should examine the possibility of central legislation at an early date controlling the conditions of 'futures' trading in agricultural Produce.

PRODUCTION AND MARKETING.

That in each province and State particular attention be given to crop and livestock development and to the initiation of schemes for

(a) encouraging the production of those types of produce which are mainly in demand and which are suited for commercial development.

(b) encouraging increased production of those commodities for which the marketing surveys have shown openings to exist.

(c) following up from the production aspect the other results obtained from the marketing surveys from time to time.

Provinces and States might care to consider for this purpose the appointment of a Crop Development Officer and a Livestock Development Officer who would work directly under the Director concerned and whose duties would be to initiate and supervise these schemes. These officers should be members of the Standing Agricultural Marketing Committee. The Imperial Council of Agricultural Research should constitute a standing Committee for Crop-Planning.

TRANSPORT.

That railway administrations and other transport agencies be asked to take all possible steps to reduce the incidence of freight charges and to provide better facilities for the free movement of agricultural produce. The Conference deprecates differential railway rates calculated to favour the movement of imported as against indigenous agricultural produce.

APPEAL FROM AN EXILE

Raja Mahendra Pratap's Letter

(From Our Correspondent.)

MUTTRA, Dec. 17.

Raja Mahendra Pratap Singh, the founder of the Prem Mahavidyalaya, Brindaban, who is an exile in Japan, has sent a letter to the President District Congress Committee, Muttra, appealing for funds for the world Federation. In the course of the letter, he says: "I write you once again, hoping that you will tell me the exact situation. Of course, if the Central Government at the recommendation of the U.P. Congress Cabinet, allows me to return, I shall be officially informed and the necessary facilities provided, but so long as I must remain here, what about my request that the Trust helps my work here? I need money to build up, to complete this Students' home here, I want to build one Apartment House in the city, then I also need at the very least two hundred rupees per month for my recurring expenses which include the continuation of our monthly circular. It is the only link between me and my numerous friends all over the world. And it is the only way to propagate my ideas."

DUTY ON SKIMMED MILK POWDER REDUCED

NEW DELHI, Dec. 17.

That the recent move of the Government of India should make it possible for many more institutions to supply skimmed milk and the general extension of its use in India may follow, is the hope entertained of the reduction in customs duty on dried skimmed milk now allowed under a recent notification.

The Nutrition Advisory Committee of the Indian Research Fund Association, at a meeting held in November 1937, recommended that skimmed milk powder—which was defined as powder containing not more than 4 per cent of fat—should be exempted from customs duty.

Substantial Reduction In Cost

This should mean a substantial reduction in the cost of skimmed milk powder to the consumer.

Skimmed milk, which lacks vitamin A and fat, is not suited to form the sole food of infants.

Road Schemes For Madras

MADRAS, Dec. 18.

A Press 'Communique' announces that the Government of India have approved 354 schemes estimated to cost Rs. 56.5 lakhs in the seven years' programme, and have agreed to the debit of their cost to the provincial allocation in the Road Fund. Orders have been issued authorising the local bodies and the Public Works Department to take up the works of execution.—United Press.

GARAGES ABUTTING ON ROAD

The garages abutting on Peddar Road and Warden Road, Bombay are on the increase. Along Pedder Road there are 19 garages in a distance of 450 feet. Is this not a reflection on the City? Cannot such a wrong practice be stopped?

It is too great an interference with a main road. Such a position leads to misuse of parking and to washing on the footpath. From the traffic point of view, it is a gain that two garages along Pedder Road are being used for such otherwise obstructive purposes as parking and washing. Access to the main road is a very important matter which requires control and should not be left to the individual wishes of property owners abutting thereon.—(T.N.)

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A *FINANCE MINISTER SPEAKS*

(Continued from page 6)

expressed or hinted at in the speech and a certain allowance must be made to individual approach such as is essayed throughout in Mr. Latthe's statement. But its essential value lies, I think, in its freshness, vigour of outlook and above everything else the strong sense of realities which is to be expected in one who could competently deal with the complicated problems and policies of the province's finance. An almost brutal frankness pervades the entire speech which certainly helps clear thinking in those who may not be in a position to judge the exact financial situation. He does not take shelter behind 'cliches' and the effect the speech produces is one of a man who feels himself called upon to restore to finance as a single and co-ordinated department of administrative action, the essential function of social utility. So far as one could gather from this speech Mr. Latthe's ideas of the social aspects of state finance, they seem to be not very different from those of men who, faced with the difficult task of defending the principles of their idealism against an onslaught gathering momentum from the rumours and realities of a world unrest the responsibility for which does not lie with the reality of the here and now, must work and make their contribution as 'les hommes de bon volonte' to the social good. It is a difficult task as even this tight-lipped Maratha, who is perhaps as reserved usually as he is astute, has to admit on this occasion:

....I cannot avoid stating one conviction (he concludes) and that is that a democracy with a starving and ignorant 'demos' is a curse and a danger and no sacrifices, no burdens will be too heavy for society to bear in order that the danger disappears by the necessary social action on a tremendously large scale.

Sir Tej Deplores Methods Adopted To Discredit Urdu

(From Our Correspondent).

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 20.

A warning against language question being made a political one was given by Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru speaking at a public meeting. Sir Tej Bahadur said that the method adopted about Urdu by some people for about three or four years has caused great sorrow and pain in him.

Continuing Sir Tej Bahadur said that Urdu was an indivisible joint property of both the Hindus and the Muslims and if Hindus attempted to destroy Urdu they would harm not only Muslims but also their own property.

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NEW YORK COTTON FOUR POINTS UP

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MARKETS UNDER HOLIDAY ATMOSPHERE

BOMBAY: DEC. 20.

NEW YORK COTTON

The New York Cotton displayed bearish feeling on easier Liverpool cables and increasing hedge pressure. Prices fell on lower Liverpool cables and hedging, but better local enquiry and trade buying appeared at lower levels.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Markets in London were quiet owing to approaching holidays. Oils and Internationals were steady, whereas Industrials were dull. Gilt-edged Securities were easier.

EXCHANGES

The Cross rate opened at $67.75 and gradually eased to 4.67 on continued pressure.

Franc appreciated on some enquiry.

COTTON

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES

MARCH 1939

New York, Dec. 20.

Previous closing	8.27
To-day's opening	8.23
Difference	—.04
To-day's closing	8.31
Difference	+.04

LIVERPOOL COTTON

MARCH 1939

Liverpool, Dec. 20.

Previous closing	4.71
To-day's opening	4.75
Difference	+.04
To-day's closing	4.76
Difference	+.05

BROACH EXPECTATION

April May 1938	Rs. 158-0
July August	Rs. 158-8

N. Y. COTTON MARKET

New York, Dec. 20.

The New York cotton on the whole showed decidedly bearish feeling on easier Liverpool cables and increasing hedge pressure of outside growths but tightness of March imparted better undertone.

The trading in March commenced at 8.27 i.e. four points lower than the last close. Prices fell on lower Liverpool cables and hedging, but lower levels attracted better local enquiry and trade buying with March rallying to 8.26.

BOMBAY COTTON

Late Trading

Bombay, Dec. 20.

The trading in Broach April/May began to-night at Rs. 157-8 and then the price improved a little to Rs. 157-12 but again receded and closed at Rs. 157-8 when New York futures were four points lower.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Dec. 20.

The following were the opening ranges:—

January (8.22/8.22) 8.25/8.25
March (8.19/8.19) 8.23/8.23
May (8.01/8.01) 8.04/8.04

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool, Dec. 20.

American January (4.71) 4.76
American March (4.70) 4.74
Egyptian January (7.10) 7.11
Egyptian March (7.06) 7.08

LONDON COMMODITIES

London, Dec. 20.

TEAS

Indian Pekoe (0-11) 0-10 1/2
Indian Pekoe higher (1-3) 1-3 1/2
Ceylon Pekoe (1-0) 1-0
Ceylon Pekoe higher (1-5 1/2) 1-5 1/2

JUTE

First Marks C. I. F. Continent New Crop December January (£19 1/2 paid and buyers) £19 1/2 buyers.

Dundee December (£22 1/2) £22 1/2 sellers

Lightning December (£21 1/4 sellers) £21 1/4 sellers.

RUBBER

Spot (8 1/16 paid and buyers) 8 1/16 buyers

Forward February (8 1/8 paid and buyers) 8 3/16 paid and sellers.

SEEDS

Castorseed Bombay December January (£11 sellers) £11 sellers

Linseed La Plata December (£12 11/16 sellers) £12 11/16 sellers

Linseed La Plata December (£11 1/16 sellers) £11 1/16 sellers

Groundnuts Coromandal January (£10 3/16 sellers) £10 1/4 sellers.

METALS

Tin (£213 1/2 buyers £213 3/4 sellers. Barely steady) £213 3/4 buyers £214 sellers. Quiet.

Lead (£15 buyers £15 1/16 sellers. Barely steady) £14 15/16 buyers £15 1/16 sellers. Quiet.

Electrolytic Copper (£49 1/4 to £50) £49 1/2 to £50

Iron (112) 112

LIVERPOOL WHEAT

Closing Quotations

Liverpool, Dec. 20.

The closing quotation for December is 56 1/8. The previous close was 56 1/4d.

EXCHANGES

CROSS RATES

T. T NEW YORK ON LONDON

New York, Dec. 20.

Previous closing	4.67 3/4
To-day's opening	4.67 3/16
At the time of New York cotton closing	4.66 1/2

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK

London, Dec. 20.

Previous closing	4.67.46
To-day's opening	4.67.75
To-day's closing	4.66.53

T. T. LONDON ON PARIS

London, Dec. 20.

Previous closing	177.51
To-day's opening	177.53
To-day's closing	177.28

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, Dec. 20.

London Exchanges opened with the sterling dollar at 4.67.75 and then eased to 4.67.56, subsequently easing further to 4.67 on continued pressure.

Franc opened at 177.53 and then rose to 177.48 on some enquiry but movements thereafter were small.

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay (1-5 29/32) 1-5 29/32
Paris on Bombay (13.245) 13.243
New York on Bombay (34.93) 34.94
Berlin on Bombay (86 3/4) 86 3/4
London on Milan (88.90) 88.75
London on Shanghai (0-8 3/8 nominal) 0-8 3/8 nominal
London on Kobe (1-2) 1-2

BULLION

Influx (nil) nil
Withdrawal (nil) nil
Gold (£7-8-8) £7-8-10
Silver (20 1/8d.) 20 1/8d.

DISCOUNTS

3 months (1 to 1 1/16 per cent) 1 to 1 per cent.
4 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/16 per cent) 1 to 1 per cent.
5 months (1 to 1 per cent) 1 to 1 per cent.

LONDON SILVER CABLE

Bombay, Dec. 20.

The following cable regarding silver market was received in Bombay to-night:—

"Speculators sold forward. Business small. Market steady.

LONDON SILVER

London, Dec. 20.

Spot	(20 1/8d) 20 1/8d nil
Forward	(19 9/16d) 19 1/2d—1/16

LONDON GOLD

London, Dec. 20.

Gold Bars Fine per ounce (£7-8-8) £7-8-10

BOMBAY BULLION

Latest Quotations

Bombay, Dec. 20.

SILVER

Silver ready	51	1	0
Silver Posh	51	0	0
Silver Mah	50	15	0

GOLD

Gold ready	37	3	3
Gold Posh	37	3	6
Gold Maha	37	3	9
Sovereign	23	13	0

LIVERPOOL WHEAT

Liverpool, Dec. 20.

Liverpool wheat opened steady with New Contract May quoting at 52 3/4d. The trading showed some activity on Australian buying with scarcity of sellers but the subsequent trend was somewhat easier.

CHICAGO WHEAT

Chicago. Dec. 20.

Chicago wheat opened steady with December quoting at dol 0.63 5/8. The market was quietly steady with traders generally holding off in view of holiday atmosphere abroad.

3½% GOVT. PAPER

Closing Quotations

Bombay, Dec. 20.

3 1/2 per cent. Government Paper closed at Rs. 98/1 at 5 p.m

INDIAN STERLING LOANS

London, Dec. 20.

The 3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed at £89 1/4

Closing quotations on the previous days were:—

Friday, December 9, £89 1/2
Monday, December 12, £89 3/8
Tuesday, December 13, £89 3/4
Wednesday, December 14, £89 3/4
Thursday, December 15, £89 3/8
Friday, December 17, £89 1/2
Monday, December 19, £89 1/2

INDIAN LOANS

London, Dec. 20. 3-30 p.m.

3 per cent Indian (£98 1/4) £98 1/4
3 1/2 per cent Indian Stock (£89 1/2) £89 1/2
4 1/2 per cent Indian Stock 1950-55 (£111 1/2) £111 1/2
4 1/2 per cent 1958-68 (£115 1/4) £115
4 per cent Indian Stock 1948-53 (£105 3/4) £106
3 per cent Indian 1942-47 (£107 1/2) £107 1/2
3 1/2 per cent New Indian 1945/59 (£101 1/4) £101 1/4

AUSTRALIAN LOANS

5 per cent Australian Loan 1945/58 (£102) £102

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent (£70) £69 3/4
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£98 1/8) £97 3/4
4 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£102 5/8) £102 1/2
5 per cent Funding Loan (£107 5/8) £107 3/8
3 1/2 per cent War Loan (£97 7/8) £97 1/2
4 per cent Victory Bonds (£107) £106 3/4

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Dec. 23.

The London Stock Exchange was very quiet owing to approaching holidays. Giltedged securities attracted very little interest. Three and half per cent was quoted at 89 1/2 i.e. unchanged.

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors (15-10 1/2) 16-9
Motors and Spencer Ordinary (55-7 1/2) 55-7 1/2
Hydro Electric (dol 4 1/2) dol 4 1/2
Elec Music Industry (11-0) 11-0
Princhin Johnson (22-4 1/2) 21-0
Imperial Chemical (30-1 1/2) 30-1 1/2
Woolsworth New Ordinary (57-9) 57-9
San Pauto 4 per cent Coffee Rates 1930 (£18 1/2) £18 1/2
Dunlop Rubber (23) 23
Unilever Ordinary (36-3) 36-3
Ford Motors (16-6) 16-1 1/2
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary (£36 1/4) £35
British American Tobacco Ordinary (96-3 Ex Div) 95-7 1/2
Carreas A (£8 3/8) £8 3/8
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (129-4 1/2) 130-0
P and O S N Company Deferred (21-3) 21-3
Distillers (90-3) 90-3
Bredford Dyes (3-1 1/2) 3-1 1/2
British Celanese (3-10 1/2) 3-10 1/2
J and P Coates Ordinary (35-1 1/2) 35-1 1/2
Courtaulds Ordinary (28-4 1/2) 28-4 1/2
Fine Cotton Spinners (2-3) 2-3
Vickers Limited Ordinary (21-10 1/2) 21-10 1/2
Inter Nickels (dol 57 3/4) dol 57 3/4
Indian Iron and Steel Ordinary (43-8) 43-9

TEA SHARES

Assam Company (16-6) 16-6
Donaro Tea (36-10 1/2) 37-6
Empire of India (22-9 Ex Div) 23-6

JUTE SHARES

Barnagore (£9) £9

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo Dutch Rubber (25-6) 25-6
Gula Kelampong (21-3) 21-10 1/2
Rubber Plan Inv Trust (27-4 1/2) 27-4 1/2

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug (40) 40-0
Burma Corporation (8-9) 8-9
Rio Tintos (£14 1/4) £14 1/2
East Rand Proprietors (52-6 Ex Div) 52-6
Rand Mines (£8 1/4 Ex Div) £8 1/4

MINE SHARES

Crown Mines (£15 3/4 Ex Div) £15 3/4
Associated Portland Cement (67-6) 65
Trinidad Leaseholds (92-6) 93-9
Sub Nigel (£11 1/2 Ex Div) £11 1/2
Spring Mines Split Share (30 Ex Div) 30-7 1/2
Union Corporation (£8) £8

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian (21-3) 21-3
Anglo Iranian (89-4 1/2) 90-7 1/2
Burma Oil (83-1 1/2) 83-9
Mexican Eagle (5-3) 5-3
Shell Transport (81-10 1/2) 81-3
Royal Dutch (£37) £37

RAILWAY SHARES

Great Western Ordinary (£28) £28
London Midland and Ordinary (£13 1/8) £13 1/8
London North Eastern Def. (£2 1/2) £2 1/2
Southern Def (£12 3/4) £12 3/4
London Transport 5 per cent (£119 1/4) £119 1/4
London Transport 'C' (£75) £74

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, Dec. 20.

General Motors (dol 50) dol 49 1/2
Anaconda Copper Mining (dol 35) dol 34 1/4
U S Common New Stock (dol 65 7/8) dol 65 7/8
U S Steel Preference (dol 115 1/2) unquoted.

QUIET TRADING ON STOCK EXCHANGE

Gilt-Edgeds Drift Lower

(SPECIAL CABLE)

LONDON, Dec. 20.

On the Stock Exchange a steady undertone persisted in most groups, despite very quiet trading. Giltedged securities exceptionally continued to drift lower owing to further year-end taxation selling. Cable and Wireless Stocks eased in sympathy with lower November traffic index. Other industrials displayed occasional irregularity.

Wall Street opened firm.

KARACHI PRODUCE MARKET

KARACHI, Dec. 20.

To-day's closing quotations:—

Sind cotton January	15	5	3
March	15	7	3
Punjab January	13	2	6
March	13	2	6
Desi American January	18	0	6
March	18	0	3
Tone steady:—			
Wheat December	22	15	6
January	22	15	0
March	23	1	0
July	24	5	9
Gram December	29	13	0
January	29	10	0
July	26	0	6
Toria December	35	5	0
February	34	11	0
March	35	8	0
Cotton seed January	19	9	6
March	19	8	9

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

Electricals And Sugars In Request

CALCUTTA, Dec. 20.

There is practically nothing fresh to report in Jutes section to-day. The undertone generally kept quiet but steady and business also was very much limited.

In coals only a few isolated deals took place at about current quotations. Slight enquiry was noticed in Teas section to-day and moderate business was put through.

The miscellaneous section, disclosed no special feature. Speculative issues ruled steady at their decline. Among other industrials sugar and electrical issues continued in request.

Government Securities were easier.

The following were the closing quotations:—

Government Securities: Three and half per cent. Paper 98/4; five per cent. Loan (1945/55) 115/12.

Banks: Allahabad pref. 149/8; Reserve 115.

Cottons: Bengal Nagpur 10/8; Elgin Mills ord. 111 ex div.; Jiayajeerao cotton 16; New Victoria ord. As. 14; pref. 4/10 c div.

Coals: Aldih 4/13; Bengal 341 small lot; Bokaro and Ramgur 16; New Beerbhoom 18/4; Raneegunge 31/8 ex div. small odd lot; South Karanpura 4/8; Talcher 1/1.

Jutes: Alliance ord. 198; Albion pref. 131 ex div.; Anglo-India 296 small lot; Bally 153; Barnagore 125/8; Cheviot 147; Clive 20/8 small lot; Dalhousie 290 small lot; Empire 21/9; Howrah 49/5; Kamarhatty 452; Kinnison 514 small lot; Lothian pref. 133/8; National 19/4 ex. div.; Orient 150; Presidency 3/4; Reliance pref. 159 small lot; Standard 238 small lot.

Miscellaneous: Burma Corporation 5/14; Consolidated Tin 6/8; Indian Copper 2/2; Alkali and Chemical pref. 122; Dishergarh Power pref. 117/8; Jubbulpore Electric 13/6; Indian Iron and Steel 29/4; Marshalls 1/14; Steel Corporation ord. 9/3; pref. 93 small odd lot; Bararee Coke 17/8 ex div. Birds Investment pref. 100 c div. British Ceylon Corporation 5/12 small odd lot; British India Corporation ord. 3/2; Dunlop Rubber ord. 16/6; 2nd pref. 101; Rohtas Industries pref. 131 small lot; Indian National Airways defd. 2/4; British Burma Petroleum 3/11; Orient Paper 7/4; Titaghur Paper "B" ord. 14/8; Humayun Property defd. 1/1; Bengal Assam Steamship pref. 97; Indian General Navigation pref. 143/8; Balrampore 9/4; Carew and Co., pref. 113 ct. Ramnugger Cane and Sugar pref. 99; Raza 12/12 ex div.

Teas: Dessai and Purbuttia 177 ct. Dufflaghur 8 ct. New Dooars ord. 805; Okayti pref. 120/8.

Debentures: Three per cent. (1963/69); Calcutta Improvement Trust 96/8 ct.; five and half per cent. (1915/42); Chowringhee Property 97.—A. P.

BOMBAY YARN EXCHANGE

Bombay, Dec. 20.

Yarn No. 6 1/2s—			
December	96	0	0
February	96	0	0
April	97	0	0
Yarn No. 10 1/2s—			
December	106	0	0
February	107	0	0
April	107	0	0
Yarn No. 20 1/2s—			
December	144	0	0
February	145	0	0
April	145	0	0
Yarn No. 40s.—			
December	222	0	0
February	222	0	0
April	223	0	0

Produce Receipts

Bombay, Dec 20

Wheat	507 cwts
Linseed	66 cwts
Rape, Rai and Mustardseeds	15 cwts
Gingellyseed	3,524 cwts
Poppyseed	111 cwts
Groundnuts	41,684 cwts
Castorseeds	397 cwts
Rice	6,770 cwts
Myrabollams	814 cwts
Cottonseed	8,735 cwts
Gram	1,359 cwts
Joowar	1,252 cwts
Maize	78 cwts
Barley	84 cwts
Bajree	2,526 cwts.
Indian sugar	1,895 cwts

TENDERS FOR TREASURY BILLS

Tenders for Rs. One Crore of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills were opened on Tuesday, the 20th December 1938. Total amount offered was Rs. 1,14,25,000. Tenders Rs. 99-7-3 and above were accepted in full and those at Rs. 99-7-0 allotted approximately 97 per cent. Lower tenders were rejected. Total amount accepted was Rs. One crore, the average rate of accepted tenders being Rs. 2-3-10 per cent per annum.

Tenders for Rs. One Crore of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills will be received on Tuesday, the 27th December 1938. Successful tenderers should make payment on Friday, the 30th December 1938. Other conditions are as usual.

During the week ended 16th December 1938, Government of India Treasury Bills for Rs. 2,15,00,000 were sold in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.

Three months' intermediates will be sold from 21st December to 23rd December 1938 at Rs. 99-7-3 subject to the conditions previously announced (viz. sales can be stopped at any time without previous notice if Government think it necessary).

Three months' intermediates sold from 14th December to 19th December 1938 amounted to Rs. 14,00,000.

AMERICAN WHEAT CROP

The U.S.A. Government final crop report is as follows:—

PRODUCTION (Million bushels.)

	1938	1937	1936-1936 average.
Winter Wheat	686.6.	685.1.	548.4.
Spring Wheat	244.2.	188.9.	206.5.
Total	930.8.	874.0.	752.9.

The total acreage harvested was 70,220,000 acres against 64,460,000 in 1937 an and 55,325,000 acres 1926-1936 average.

The first acreage estimate of winter wheat for 1939 will be published tomorrow.

The C.C.C. has announced that the wheat loan will not be extended beyond 31st December.

The U.S.A. Department of Agriculture estimate Argentine exportable surplus as follows:—

	1939. million bushels.
Wheat	249
Linseed	64
	1928-1938 average.
Wheat	138
Linseed	62

Textile Inquiry

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bobbins were not in order. There were also breakages in the threads and they had to be joined up. He had to attend to 420 spindles and 800 bobbins. The increased trouble of double side work had not been adequately compensated by adequate wages.

He could not go to single side because he could not maintain a family on the wages. But working double side caused him illness.

There were different wage scales in different mills and all of the workers said that they would prefer a uniform standard.

IN PATHAN AND MARWARI HANDS.

They generally ran into debts because they had to send money home. They borrowed from Marwaris or pathans. To the former they had to pay an interest of one anna per rupee per month; to the latter they had to pay four times as much. Their debts went on increasing and there was no question of getting rid of it. Asked if their salaries were attached as a result of any court decree they said that the pathan was at the Mill door and never went to court.

They certainly liked to be members of Trade Unions. One of them said that he was a member once. But since 1920 they dared not become members for fear of victimisation by the mill authorities. They had no doubt that they stood to gain by joining Trade Unions and they would be too glad to pay the monthly subscriptions.

COMMITTEE'S TOUR PROGRAMME.

The Committee will continue to examine groups of Cotton Mill workers till Friday 23, after which it will adjourn for Christmas. The Committee reassembles in Ahmedabad on Wednesday, January, fourth. After taking the evidence of various parties interested in the Industry and paying visits to Viramgam, Nadiad and Surat, the Committee arrives in Bombay on Saturday, January 21, 1939. Its programme will keep the committee in Bombay till Saturday, January 28. After that the committee will go through Jalgaon, Dhulia, Amalner, Hubli, Sholapur, Gokak and other places, and will complete taking evidence at Poona on Saturday, fourth March, 1939.

Thereafter it will reassemble in Bombay to draw up its report.

Alleged Theft

Mogal Mohidin who is alleged to have committed a theft of Rs. 289-10 in a house at Poona was arrested by the Poona Police in Bombay yesterday.

There was already a charge of house breaking and theft registered against the accused and pending further investigation Mr. K. J. Khambata Presidency Magistrate of Girgaum Police Court ordered the accused to be remanded into Police custody till 2nd January.

SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVED

Bombay, Dec. 20.

O S Kaisha's s.s. Kanto Maru of 5188 ry tons Capt T Suruga arrived from Karachi with iron ore and cotton cargo

Ralli Bros s.s. Gerarchia of 3306 reg tons Capt G Devoto arrived from Merca (Somaliland) in water ballast

B I S N s.s. Surada of 3382 reg tons Capt H A Downey arrived from Calcutta via Colombo and Malabar Coast Ports with coal and general cargo

Scindia Steam Nvg. s.s. Elmadina of 1628 reg tons Capt R R Memery arrived from Jeddah in water ballast

SAILED

P and O S N s.s. Somali of 3522 reg tons Capt T H Kemp sailed for London via Aden with local and same bottom cargo

Anglo Iranian Oil s.s. British Trader of 2314 reg tons Capt N Pinkery sailed for Abadan with local cargo.

N Y Kaisha's s.s. Nagato Maru of 4325 reg tons Capt Nohta sailed for Karachi via Cutch Kundla and Cutch Mandvi with local and same bottom cargo.

B I S N s.s. Binfield of 2170 reg tons Capt S I Howe sailed for Karachi via Bhavnagar and Kathiawar Coast Ports with local and same bottom cargo

LOADING

The following vessels booked for loading on 20-12-38.

S S Jedmoor (OSK) for China Japan Ports via Penang and Singapore

S S Pres Monroe (FFC) for Suez Port Said Naples Genoa and American Ports

S S Aagtekerk (LE) for Karachi Marmagoa Alleppey Europe American Ports and Australian Ports.

STEAMERS IN DOCKS

ALEXANDRA DOCK

Bombay, Dec. 20.

1 Karanja 4646 Durban 21-12 M M
2 Somali 3522 London 21-12 M M
3 Mirzapore 4135 Karachi 23-12 M M
4 Nagato Maru 4325 Karachi 20-12 N Y Kaisha
5 C/O Johanneshburg 3583 Karachi 22-12 K Nixon
6 Clan Murray 3631 Bhavnagar 24-12 J Finlay
8 Kanto Maru 5188 Japan 23-12 O S K Kaisha
9 Loch Lomond 3259 N F N F Grahams Trading.
12 Vito 3853 New York 21-12 Volkart Bros
14 Uhenfels 4570 Antwerp 22-12 L Edwards
15 Westralia 2745 Australia 24-12 Grahams Trading.
17 Br. Trader 2314 Abadon 20-12 Anglo I Oil

VICTORIA DOCK

3 Bankura 1896 Persian Gulf 21-12 M M
4 Varsova 1955 Busra 22-12 M M
7 Janaki 530 M Coast 21-12 Malabar S S
9 Baron Dechmont 2221 Port Said for orders 22-12 Ralli Bros.
10/11 City of Hereford 3215 Calcutta 22-12 F F Campbell

PRINCE'S DOCK

D/E Alavi 2161 Jeddah 24-12 T Morrison
F El Madina 1628 Jeddah 2372 Scindia S N
K Jalavijaya 2297 N F N F Scindia S N
N/C Jalaratna 2326 Rangoon 24-12 Scindia S N
Q Kalarand 870 P Gulf 22-12 B S N

Steamers Expected

FROM LONDON

Strathaird 29-12-38 P and O
Saudan 30-12-38 P and O S N
Ranchi 5-1-39 P and O S N
Strathaden 12-1-39 P and O S N
Nagpore 21-12-38 P and O S N
Rajputana 22-12-38 P and O S N

FROM HULL

City of Kobe 3-1-39 J Finlay

FROM LIVERPOOL

Britannia 13-1-39 Anchor Line
Clan Murray 19-12-38 J Finlay
City of Agra 24-12-38 K Nixon

FROM HAMBURG

Goldenfels 23-12-38 L Edward
Aagtekerk 20-12-38 L Edwards
Lindenfels 7-1-39 L Edwards

FROM GOTHENBURG

Simla 22-12-38 L Edwards
Ceylone 4-1-39 L Edwards

FROM NEW YORK

Pres Monroe 22-12-38 F F Campbell
Steel Renger 31-12-38 M M

FROM TRIESTE

Conte Verde 16-1-39 L Triestino

FROM GENOA

Victoria 2-1-39 L Triestino

FROM CHINA AND JAPAN

Canton 23-12-38 P and O S N
Eihuku Maru 7-1-39 O S Kaisya
Bri. Monarch 14-1-39 N Y Kaisha
Malaca Maru 27-12-38 N Y Kaisha
Glasgow Maru 18-1-39 O S K
Chitral 20-1-39 P and O S N
Alipore 20-12-38 P and O S N

FROM BASSEIN

Tanfield 26-12-38 M M

FROM BASRA

Varela 24-12-38 M M
Barala 29-12-38 M M

FROM JEDDAH

El Madina 19-12-38 Scindia S N

FROM SYDNEY

Mooltan 31-12-38 P and O S N

FROM CALCUTTA

Orna 26-12-38 M M

FROM DURBAN

Kenya 7-1-38 M M
Tairea 24-12-38 M M

FROM KARACHI

Vita 22-12-38 M M
Weissenfels 25-12-38 L Edwards
Nagato Maru 24-12-38 N Y Kaisha

Sailing Dates

FOR LONDON

Corfu 7-1-39 P and O S N
Strathnaver 14-1-39 P and O S N
Chitral 21-1-39 P and O S N
Somali 21-12-38 P and O S N
Chitral 21-1-39 P and O S N
Mooltan 31-12-38 P and O S N
Canton 24-12-38 P and O S N

FOR LIVERPOOL

Celicia 22-12-38 Anchor Line

FOR HAMBURG

Uhenfels 23-12-38 L Edwards

FOR NEW YORK

Pres. Monroe 24-12-38 F F Campbell
City of Hereford 22-12-38 F F Campbell

FOR PORT SAID

Baron Dechment 22-12-38 Ralli Bros.

FOR TRIESTE

Conte Rosso 16-1-39 L Triestino

FOR GENOA

Conte Biancamano 5-1-39 L Triestino

FOR CHINA AND JAPAN

Conte Verde 16-1-39 L Triestino
Jademoor 28-12-38 O S Kaisha
Rajputana 22-12-38 P and O
Nagato Maru 31-12-38 N Y Kaisya
Ranchi 5-1-39 P and O S N
Victoria 2-1-39 L Triestino
Malaca Maru 14-1-39 N Y Kaisha
Kanto Maru 23-12-38 O S Kaisha

FOR SYDNEY

Strathaird 29-12-38 P and O S N
Stratheden 12-1-39 P and O S N

FOR BASRA

Bankura 21-12-38 M M
Varsova 22-12-38 M M

FOR DURBAN

Tairea 4-1-39 M M
Karanja 21-12-38 M M

FOR JEDDAH

Alavi 24-12-38 T Morrison
El Madina 23-12-38 Scindia S N

FOR RANGOON

Jalaratna 24-12-38 Sc S N

FOR KARACHI

Trifels 24-12-38 L Edwards
Vita 24-12-38 M M
City of Johannesburg 24-12-38 K Nixon
Nagato Maru 23-12-38 N Y Kaisha

B. P. T. GENERAL LANDING DATES

S S Himalaya 17-12-38
S S Nagato Maru 17-12-38
S S Somali 19-12-38
S S C/O Auckland (boats American Cotton of seeds) 19-12-38
S S Binfield 19-12-38
S S Janaki 19-12-38
S S Parvati 19-12-38
S S Kalarand 19-12-38
S S Alavi 19-12-38
S S Varsova and boats 19-12-38

EXPORTS

Bombay, Dec. 20.

S S Somali for London: 9 cases brass ware Cox and Kings (Agents); 670 bags gr nut oil cake F H Kassam; 99 bags capricams E Mauji; 25 balcs cotton raw Sapt T Products (India).

For Casablanca: 116 bags turmeric S M Rajgor.

For Havre: 170 bags moura meal S Motilal.

For Marseilles: 309 bags gr nut kernels S M Rajgor.

S S City of Johannesburg for Liverpool: 150 bales wool raw The Eastern Wool Trading; 1280 bags gr nut cake K Devchand; 32 bales wool raw K Lalbhai; 65 bags gr nut kernel B Balwant; 500 bales raw cotton Langley 66 bales wool raw A J Calcuttawalla

For Glasgow: 675 bags linseed cake K Devchand.

For Manchester: 125 bales raw cotton Kotak; 67 bales cotton waste M Chandulal.

S S Vito for New York: 30 bales cotton rags Champakial; 85 bales jute rags Champakial; 350 cases condiment E Spinner.

For Norfolk: 140 bales jute rags Champakial.

For Philadelphia: 99 bales d/s goat skins D Abraham.

S S Whenfels for Rotterdam: 9000 pkts gr nut oil cake A Oomerbhoy; 85 bales raw cotton A H Diab; 55 bales raw cotton H Nensey.

For Hamburg: 55 bales cotton waste C Jairam; 52 bags kang grain K Devpi Bros; 1300 bags gr nut oil cake K Prasad; 110 bales raw cotton B Cursondas.

For Antwerp: 100 pkts gr nut oil cake A Oomerbhoy; 330 bales raw cotton S Karamshi.

For Bremen: 62 bales raw cotton Volkart Bros

IMPORTS

S S Golconda Agent M Mackenzie from Calicut: 126 bags cocoanuts; 150 bdls vingawood barks; 100 cases coffee.

From Cochin: 778 bdls coir yarn; 796 bdls coir rope; 226 bags ginger; 1190 bags cocoanuts; 45 bdls rubber sheets.

From Rangoon: 14905 bags rice; 356 bags white beans; 68 bags cutch 55 bales cotton hosiery waste; 96088 pcs teak scantlings; 1157 pcs planks teak; 124 pcs teak posts; 952 bdls g scantling; 135 pcs block tin.

S S Vasna Agent M Mackenzie from Karachi: 327 bdls dry fruits; 3137 bags wheat; 300 bags barley; 143 bags potatoes; 52 bags goowar; 2714 bales cotton; 91 cases wallnuts; 102 bags gran salt.

From Busra: 494 bags barley; 5410 bdls wet dates; 10666 baskets zahdi dates; 1557 bags dry dates; 50 bags beans; 398 bags wheat; 33 bags sheep skins.

M Y Djambi Agent Volkart Bros from Bahrein: 660,449 tons fuel oil; S S Bandra Agent M Mackenzie from Kshahr. 180 bags gum; 267 bags poppy seed.

SAKLATVALA

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millionaire, who has made money out of selling trouser-buttons should take them away to his home in Chicago or Texas or Michigan or any of these soul-less cities of America.

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At a time when we have in our midst the great and inspiring collection of Indian painting which is on exhibition at the School of Art, it would not be a bad thing if some of the young artists of our generation went over to that little office of Saklatvala's—I prefer to call it a studio—and saw some of the things of which you can say: "A thing of beauty is a joy for ever." But I cannot without his permission reveal his whereabouts.

Cotton Markets Steady With Light Hedging

TRADE PRICE-FIXING AT LIMITS

Crop Control Policy To Remain

Bombay, Dec. 20.

The undertone of the New York cotton market was certainly steady with hedging light but offtake was slow and consisted mostly of trade price-fixing at limits with operators not disposed to take up aggressive positions either way in view of the approaching holidays.

The market opened quiet and was very inactive and narrow. Traders were apathetic and inclined to await developments regarding possible new legislation. Spot cotton and textiles were quiet although there were some indications of improved enquiry in anticipation of better business after the end of the year. Covering and trade buying then developed with contracts scarce.

At the opening March was quoted 2 points down at 8.19 and declined to 8.17 which was the lowest level. Later on prices advanced to 8.27 which was the highest level and the market closed at a net rise of 5 to 10 points. Spot cotton prices advanced 6 points at 8.72c. per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET.

The New Orleans cotton futures market was fairly steady with a better demand and closed at a rise of 4 to 5 points. Spot cotton prices advanced 5 points at 8.47c. per lb.

LIVERPOOL MARKET.

The Liverpool market opened unchanged at 4.71 for March. The market was every quiet and there was January liquidation and hedging by outsiders. Offtake being limited owing to poorness of Egyptian cotton, the market was quiet. Later there was some trade calling. Local operators bought near months against sales of distants. The market closed at a rise of one point to a decline of one point. Middling American Spot cotton prices declined one point at 5.08d. per lb.

EGYPTIAN COTTON.

With increased selling Giza futures declined 6 to 8 points and Uppers closed 2 to 5 points down. The Alexandria cotton market was easy. Sakels futures declined 1 to 9 points and Ashmouni futures lost 13 to 17 points

SPOT COTTON.

"The spot position is largely at a deadlock, because Southern holders are offering very sparingly and the mills are resisting present prices, and are buying only moderately owing to the falling-off in the demand for textilse. Underlying conditions are unchanged, although it is becoming more evident that the trade at large is seriously concerned over the future of the market under the prevailing unfavourable conditions.

UNSOLD STOCKS.

Leading cotton and textile merchants have made numerous speeches throughout the country calling attention to the big accumulation of unsold cotton in the Government loan and the growing competition of synthetic fibres. The Administration is apparently anxious for a favourable vote from the farmers in the forthcoming referendum on the control plan, although it is also indicating anxiety over the present conditions as the outcome of past policies.

ACREAGE REDUCTION.

Secretary Wallace, in an address at Macon, said: "Cotton growers have the choice of a lower loan rate or a cut in acreage in the coming season." Oscar Johnston at Memphis called the acreage reduction programme a failure and said that the only solution was to liquidate the record surplus. He advocated a programme to promote the greater use of cotton through a domestic advertising campaign, and the stimulation of international commerce. Many suggestions are being heard, and Washington expects many new bills to be proposed at the next Congress dealing with the farm problem. No one, however, is able so far, to predict what action, if any, will be taken.—"M.G."

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York March highest (3 p.m.)	8.27+06
New York March lowest (10-7 a.m.)	8.17—01
Liverpool March highest	4.71
Liverpool March lowest	4.69—02

Messrs. Devkaran Nanjee have received the following telegrams from their foreign friends:

New York: 'Chairman House Agricultural Committee expects Congress retain crop control policy. We continue to favour buying on breaks below loan likely to be profitable. We favour selling Bombay.'

'Trading narrow. No pressure to sell. Trade buying. Some transfer March longs to October. Good undertone.'

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co. Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:

Liverpool: Weak Egyptian markets brought long liquidation. Later trade supported nears. Expect dull markets with little change for the next few weeks.

New York: Market steady with mill buying and practically no hedge selling.

NEW YORK COTTON
New York, Dec 19

January	8.29+05
March	8.27+06
May	8.07+07
July	7.80+08
October	7.55+09
December	7.58+10
Middling Spot	8.72+06

NEW ORLEANS COTTON
New York, Dec 19

December	8.38+04
January	8.38+04
March	8.20+05
Middling Spot	8.47+03

NEW YORK
New York, Dec 19

11-00 A. M. RANGES—	
January	8.20/8.20
March	8.17/8.17
May	7.98/7.98
NOON CALL—	
March	8.17
May	7.99

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS
New York, Dec 19

Day's receipts at all U S Ports	16,000 bales
Day's exports to Great Britain	3,000 bales
Day's exports to the Continent	11,000 bales
Day's exports to China and Japan	6,000 bales

LIVERPOOL COTTON
Liverpool, Dec 19

December	4.75+01
January	4.73+01
February	4.72+01
March	4.71
April	4.69+01
May	4.67+01
June	4.61
July	4.57
August	4.52
September	4.47—01
October	4.43—01
November	4.44—01
December	4.45—01
Middling Spot	5.08—01
	10-12 a.m. quotations
January	4.71
March	4.70

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE
London, Dec 19

Rupee paper 3 1/2 per cent	£72 1/2
Indian stock 3 per cent 1948	75 3/4
Indian stock 3 1/2 per cent 1931 or later	89 1/2
Indian stock 4 1/2 per cent 1950/55	111 1/2
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	70
Conversion loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961	98 1/8
War loan 3 1/2 per cent 1952	97 7/8
Funding loan 4 per cent 1960/90	107 1/2
Victory Bonds	107
Chartered Bank of I A and China	9 1/8
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank London Reg	79 1/2
National Bank of India	33 1/2
P and O Banking Corporation	10

LONDON SEEDS
London, Dec 19

Linseed La Plata Hull c.i.f. ton Dec sellers	11-1-3
Linseed Calcutta London c.i.f. ton Dec sellers	12-13-9
Linseed Bombay London c.i.f. ton Dec sellers	12-17-6
Rapeseed Toria Hull/Cont c.i.f. ton Dec Jan sellers	11-12-6
Castorseed Bombay Hull c.i.f. ton Dec Jan sellers	11-0-0

LONDON PRODUCE
London, Dec 19

Wheat Rozario Santa Fe parcels Jan Feb sellers	21/6
Wheat Barletta Russo parcels Jan Feb sellers	23/3
Wheat South Australian parcels Jan sellers	23/6

LINSEED OIL
London, Dec 19

Linseed oil London per cwt naked Jan paid	23/1 1/2
Linseed oil London per cwt naked Feb April sellers	23/1 1/2

LONDON SPELTER
London, Dec 19

Spelter Hard (Indian brand) f o b	12 to 14 1/2

LONDON RUBBER
London, Dec 19

Smoked sheets standard ribbed per lb Sellers	8 3/16

Egyptian Cotton

Liverpool, Dec 19

GIZA—	
Spot	7.55—8
January	7.11—8
March	7.08—6
May	7.03—6
GIZA NO. 2—	
January	7.06—13
March	7.17—7
May	7.22—7
July	7.24—7
UPPERS—	
Spot	5.93—6
January	5.83—5
March	5.89—4
May	5.94—2
July	5.95—3
October	5.94+2
November	5.82+2

Cotton Arrivals

	Bales.
Receipts into Bombay on 17th December	7,443
Receipts into Bombay to date since 1-9-1938	425,464
Receipts into Bombay same time last season	281,837
Increase	143,627

Cotton Straddles

APPROXIMATE DIFFERENCES

New York Liverpool: January 102 March 100 May 112 July 119 October 118 December 119 at cross rate 4.67 1/4

Bombay Liverpool: Broach A/M 1939 158/8 Liverpool May 1939 4.72 Rs. 47 at exchange 1/6

Bombay Liverpool: Broach J/A 1939 159 Liverpool July 1939 4.62 Rs. 42 1/4 at exchange 1/6

Bombay New York: Broach A/M 1939 158/8 New York May 8.07 Rs. 33 1/4 at cross rate 4.67 3/4

Bombay New York: Broach J/A 1939 159 New York July 7.80 Rs. 26 1/4 at cross rate 4.67 3/4

Osaka Sampir

Osaka, Dec 20

January	204.00+30

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, Dec 20

Following a rise of 6 points in New York cotton futures, the local market opened to-day at Rs. 156/6 for Broach A/M delivery and declined to Rs. 156 under pre-holiday liquidation. Business was restricted and fluctuations were narrow with general absence of speculative activity.

Liverpool market was due to open 5 points up but it opened 4 points higher. In the local market there was some scattered selling and Broach A/M was quoted at Rs. 157/14. The market closed at 5 p.m. as under:—

F G M G—			
Broach A/M	157	8	0
Broach J/A	158	0	0
Fine M G—			
Oomra D/J	145	12	0
Oomra March	143	10	0
F G M G—			
Bengal D/J	121	8	0
Bengal March	120	12	0

Cotton Room Rates

	Extra	Spr-fine	Sup	Fine	FG	Good
M. G.—						
Bengal U.P.	...	129	125	123	120	
Punjab	...	129	126	123	120	
Rajputana	...	130	127	124	121	
Oomra No. 3	156	153	150	147	...	
C. P. No. 1	170	167	164	161	...	
C. P. No. 2	162	159	156	153	...	

Ready Cotton Quotations

Bombay, Dec. 20.

Bengal Superfine 131/33
Bengal Fine 128/29 Dec. +5; Jan. +4
Bengal F.G. 125/26
C. P. 1 166/67 Dec. +20; Jan. +17
C. P. 2 155/56 Dec. +10; Jan. +9
Arvi 156/57
Amraoti 150/51
Ellichpur 155/56
Berar 150/51 Dec. +4 1/2; Jan. +3 1/2
Malkapur 148/49
Khandesh 139/44
Jalna/Sailu 144/45
Burwah/Sanavad 151/53
Khandwa 151/53
Mathia F.G. 126/28
Broach March +3 1/2
Punjab 4F. 180/85 Dec. +26
Punjab 289F. 213/18 Dec. +59
Sindh N. T. 198/205

Indian Cotton Figures

Bombay, Dec. 20.

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY.

In full-pressed Bales.

	2 days	Since 1st September. This year	Last yeaar.
Khandesh	39	11,257	926
Central India	685	52,265	306
Barsi and Nagar		11,736	7,136
Hyderabad-Gaorani		881	1,371
Berar	335	38,344	21,108
Central Provinces	25	14,153	4,142
Total Oomras	1,084	128,636	34,989
Dholera	1,960	55,111	3,560
N.-W. Provinces		487	1,454
Rajputana		9,616	95
Sind-Punjab	1,533	88,750	117,445
Broach	51	11,760	1,406
Coompta and Dharwar		11,757	7,491
Westerns-Northerns	102	10,736	809
Cocoanada		1	12
Tinnevelly and Cambodia	102	2,121	811
American		512	19,833
Egyptian, African and Sudan		110,803	116,229
Comilla, Burma and other sorts		6	470
Total	4,832	430,296	304,694

Exports From Bombay

1st Sept. to 15th Dec.

In full-pressed Bales.

	Yesterday	This year.	Last year.
Europe	1,750	60,779	52,652
Japan and China	3,900	323,226	67,200
Coast Ports		10,903	23,295
Up-country by Rail		89,710	110,776
Afloat in harbour for Europe China and Japan		23,943	2,266
Total	5,650	508,561	256,189

American Cotton Figures

F.P. Bales.	1938-39	1937-38
Receipts to date 19-12-38	2916000	5509000
Receipts Yesterday 19-12-38	16000	24000
Exports to date 19-12-38	1874000	3070000
Stock at Ports 16-12-38	3085000	3284000
Stock at Interior Towns 16-12-38	3467000	2638000
Stock at Liverpool 16-12-38	1086000	982000
Visible Supply 16-12-38	7905000	7654000
Quantity in sight 16-12-38	7015000	9814000
Quantity out of sight 16-12-38	4745000	5041000

Alexandria Cotton

Alexandria, Dec 19

SAKELS—	
January	12.74—1
March	12.92—9
May	13.13—6
ASHMOUNI—	
December	10.20—13
February	10.28—16
April	10.33—17
GIZA—	
January	12.45—32
March	12.64—26
May	12.75—25

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, Dec 19

Broach A/M 1939 opening 158 highest 158 lowest 157 5/8 closing 157 5/8

Broach J/A opening 158 1/2 highest 158 1/2 lowest 158 1/4 closing 158 3/8

Oomra D/J opening 145 3/4 highest 145 7/8 lowest 145 3/4 closing 145 7/8

Oomra March opening 143 7/8 highest 144 lowest 143 7/8 closing 144

Bengal D/J opening 121 1/4 highest 121 3/8 lowest 121 1/4 closing 121 3/8

Bengal March opening 121 highest 121 lowest 121 closing 121

Tejimandi for Broach April May 1939 (21-1-39) Rs. 4

Tejimandi for Broach April May 1939 (24-3-39) Rs. 8 1/2

Tejimandi for Broach July August 1939 (24-6-39) Rs. 13 1/2

GOLD & SILVER

Bombay, Dec 20

Yesterday London gold prices declined 3d. to £7-8-8. London Paris Exchange rate was 8 points down at 177.51. Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.67 3/4. London silver prices advanced 1/8d. to 29 1/8d. for Spot while forward quotation was raised 3/16d. to 19 9/16d. Speculators bought and offerings were small. Later on there were sellers at fixed rates. New York silver was unchanged at 42 3/4 cents and Shanghai T T on London was quoted 0/8. London Bombay Spot parity is Rs. 53-1-6 and forward Rs. 51-11-9. There was increased selling in the local market and both gold and silver prices declined.

GOLD

Ready	37	3	0
Posh delivery	37	3	9
Posh Tejimandi	0	3	6
Maha delivery	37	4	6
Maha Tejimandi	0	6	6

SILVER

Ready	51	2	0
Posh delivery	51	1	0
Posh Tejimandi	0	12	6
Maha delivery	50	14	6
Maha Tejimandi	1	3	0

LONDON SILVER
London, Dec 19

Spot	20 1/8
Forward	19 9/16

LONDON GOLD
London, Dec 19

Gold Bars Fine per oz	£7-8-8

LONDON METALS

London, Dec 19

Copper	£43 16 3
Lead	£15 3 9
Spelter	£13 16 3
Tin	£215 5 0

Bombay Metals

Bombay, Dec 20

London market—
Standard copper cash (buyers) £43-12-6
Standard copper 3 months £43-17-6
Electrolytic copper £50-0-0
Bombay market—
Yellow metal sheets Rs. 40-4-0
Copper sheets Rs. 48-0-0
Tone: Steady.

XMAS HOLIDAYS IN COTTON MARKETS

Local market will remain open on 24th and 31st December from 12 noon to 2 p.m.

New York market will remain entirely closed on 26th December, and 2nd January, 1939.

Liverpool market will remain closed from 23rd December 4 p.m. till 27th December 11 a.m. and again from 30th December 4 p.m. to 3rd January 11 a.m.

Groundnuts Coromandel Shelled

London, Dec. 19.

January	£10-3-9.
February	£10-3-9.

Groundnuts And Seeds

Bombay, Dec 20

Castorseeds May—			
Opening	29	4	0
Highest	29	4	6
Lowest	29	0	6
Closing	29	0	0
Groundnuts Feb—			
Opening	29	6	6
Highest	29	8	6
Lowest	28	14	9
Closing	28	15	3
Cottonseed Jan—			
Opening	22	0	0
Highest	22	2	0
Lowest	21	15	6
Closing	21	15	6
Cottonseed May—			
Opening	22	4	6
Highest	22	6	0
Lowest	22	2	9
Closing	22	3	0

Wheat Liverpool

Liverpool, Dec. 19.

December	56 1/4d.
March	53 7/8d.
May	54 3/8d.
March new	51 3/8d.
May new	52 3/8d.

Wheat Chicago

Chicago, Dec. 19.

December	dol 0.63 7/8.
May	dol 0.63 3/4.
July	dol 0.66 3/8.

New York Sugar

New York, Dec. 19.

March	1.96.
May	2.01.
July	2.04.
September	2.07.

Bombay Sugar

Bombay, Dec 20

Ready Javas	Rs. 15 8 0
Shipment Jan March	6 0 9
Shipment July Sept	6 5 6
Kesar	15 7 6
Saraya	15 6 0
Java Spot	F 6.65

LONDON SUGAR

London, Dec 19

March	6 2 1/4d.

LONDON EXCHANGES
London, Dec 19

T T London on:	
New York	4.67.46
Paris	177.51
Berlin	11.65 1/2
Madrid	100.00
Montreal	4.71 13/16
Amsterdam	8.69 1/16
Brussels	27.75 3/4
Milan	88.85
Berne	20.66 1/2

NEW YORK COFFEE
New York, Dec 19

Fair rio coffee No. 7 quality ... 5 1/2

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, Dec 20

3 1/2 per cent G P Notes	98/6
2 3/4 per cent 1948/52 Loan	99/8
3 per cent 1951/54 Loan	101/6
3 per cent 1941 Bonds	102/12
3 per cent 1963/65	98
3 1/2 per cent 1947/50	105/2
4 per cent 1940/43 Bonds	108/4
4 per cent 1960/70 Loan	111/5
4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 Loan	119
5 per cent U P Bonds	98
5 per cent 1939/44 Loan	101/10
5 per cent 1940/43 Loan	105/2
TAX FREES	
5 per cent 1943/55 Loan	115/12
4 per cent 1953/63 Mysore	111/8
5 per cent 1955 Mysore	124
CORPORATION DEBENTURES	
4 per cent 1974 B P T	110/4
4 per cent 1974 M Deb	109/8
4 per cent 1974 M Deb	119
5 per cent 1954 M Deb	130

Note: Market dull and featureless.

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, Dec 20

B C RATES—	
T T D D	1/5 27/32
LONDON—	
Bank's selling T T D D	1/5 29/32 near
Bank's buying T T	1/5 15/16
Bank's buying D D	1/5 31/32
Bank's buying 3 months	1/6 1/32 to March 1/6 April/Nov.
NEW YORK—	
Bank's selling T T	288
Bank's buying T T	284 3/4
Bank's buying D D	284
PARIS—	
Bank's selling T T	1,311
Bank's buying T T	1,338
JAPAN—	
Bank's selling T T	78 5/8
Bank's buying T T	77 7/8
Bank's buying 60 days	77
AMSTERDAM—	
Bank's selling D D	63 1/2
JAVA—	
Bank's selling D D	63 3/8
HONGKONG—	
Bank's selling D D	85 1/4
SHANGHAI—	
Bank's selling D D	47 1/8
SINGAPORE—	
Bank's selling D D	157 3/8
BERLIN—	
Bank's selling D D	85 3/4
CROSS RATE—	
New York London	4.67.75 19th instant
Japan London	1/2 1/64 20th instant
Hongkong London	1/3 20th instant
Shanghai London	0/8 20th instant
Java London	8.58 20th instant
London Paris	177.51 19th instant
London Belgium	27.75 3/4 19th instant
London Switzerland	20.66 1/2 19th instant
London Berlin	11.65 1/2 19th instant
London Stockholm	19.42 3/8 19th instant
London New York	4.67.46 19th instant
London Amsterdam	8.60 1/8 19th instant
London Italy	88.85 19th instant
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—	Steady.
Gold	£7-8-11 17th instant
Gold	£7-8-8 19th instant
Silver London Ready	20 17th instant
Silver London Ready	20 1/8 19th instant
Silver London Forward	19 3/8 17th instant
Silver London Forward	19 9/16 19th instant
Silver New York Ready	43 17th instant
Silver New York Ready	43 19th instant
London discounts 3 months	1-1 1/16 per cent 17th instant
London discounts 3 months	1 per cent 19th instant
London discounts 6 months	1 per cent 17th instant
London discounts 6 months	1 per cent 19th instant.
Reserve Bank Rate	3 per cent.
Bank of England Rate	2 per cent.
Money:—	
Call	1 per cent.
3 months	1 1/2 per cent.
6 months	1 1/2 per cent.
Tone:—	Firm.

INDIAN STERLING LOANS

London, Dec 19

Call Loan London	1/2
3 per cent	75 3/4
3 1/2 per cent	89 1/2
3 1/2 per cent 1954/59	101 1/2
4 per cent 1948/53	106
4 1/2 per cent 1950/55	111 1/2
4 1/2 per cent 1958/68	115 1/4
5 per cent 1942/47	107 1/2
3 per cent 1949/52	98 1/2
2 1/2 per cent British Consols	70
3 1/2 per cent War Loan	97 7/8
4 per cent Funding Loan 1960/90	107 1/2
Indian Iron and Steel New Ordinary	43/9 steady.

WALL-STREET MARKET

New York, Dec 19

Messrs. Batlivala and Karani have issued the following report showing quotations of the New York Stock Exchange:—

	Dollars
Electric P and Light 7 p.c. Pfd	37
Electric Bond Common	10 1/4
Columbia Gas and Elec	6
United Corporation	3
Int Tel and Tel 4 1/2 p.c. 1952	67
American Tel and Tel	147
Sun Life of Canada	410
Western Union Tele	21
Great North Pfd	26
New York Central	18 1/2
Firestone Rubber	23
Firestone Rubber 6 per cent Pfd	99
Texas Corporation	44 3/4
Union Carbide	88 1/2
Eaton Mfg	22
Gillette S...afety Razor 5 p.c. P	48
United States Steel	65 1/4
Ludlum Steel	26
Republic Steel	23
United S Smelting	58
Anaconda Copper Mining	34
Int Nickel of Canada	53 3/4
General Motors	48 3/4
General Electric	42 3/4
Consolidated Oil	8 3/4
Socony Oil	13
Chase Bank	29 1/2
National City Bank	22 1/4
Eagle Picher	13

Turnover 1 million shares. Narrow market. Steel production 51.7 per cent against 57.6 per cent last week and 23 1/2 per cent same period last year. It is expected that steel production will recover sharply with the beginning of the New Year.

Tata Steel Shares Quiet

TIRED LONG LIQUIDATION IN SHARE BAZAR

Cotton Mill Shares Decline

BOMBAY, December 20.

Yesterday the Wall Street market after an initial advance closed quiet with pre-Holiday liquidation and U.S. Steel shares closed dol. 1/2 up and Anacondas declined dol. 3/4. Steel activity declined to 51.7 per cent. from 57.6 per cent in the previous week and 23.5 per cent. for the corresponding period last year.

It is believed that steel activity would sharply recover in the New Year but this belief is discouraging sales.

The local market as pointed out before is under the influence of Holidays and most of the prominent jobbers and operators are out of the city. Thus in the absence of any important business small orders are having more effect on prices.

At the opening Tata Steel Dfds. changed hands at Rs. 1505 but later in the absence of any support prices declined to Rs. 1485 under tired long liquidation. At the decline there was some covering which resulted in a partial rally to Rs. 1495 and finally closed at Rs. 1490. Cotton Mill shares were also easy with scattered selling.

The tone of the market was quiet and there exists a hope that professional bulls will make an attempt to push up prices when the market re-opens after the Holidays. Generally people are always optimistic particularly at the end of the year and this year is no exception but we do not favour to rely on mere hopes until trade conditions improve.

TEXTILE SHARES

BOMBAY, Dec. 20.

100	Ahmd. Advance	420	0
200	BOMBAY DYEING	863	12
100	CENTURY	237	0
100	CENTRAL INDIA	231	4
100	COLABA	140	0
100	Coorla	95	0
250	David	75	0
250	Dawn	321	4
1	E. D. Sassoon	0	4 6
100	Finlay	118	12
100	GOKAK	153	0
1,000	Hindustan	1,705	0
100	Indore	55	0
100	Khatau	117	8
100	KOHINOOR	256	8
150	Laxmi	515	0
250	Madras United	35	0
100	Morarji	135	0
250	Model	54	0
50	MYSORE	89	0
200	NEW GREAT	214	0
100	Oosmanshahi	40	0
100	PHOENIX	223	0
25	Sassoon Silk	71	0
1,000	Sholapur	3225	0
50	SIMPLEX	77	0
100	SWADESHI	215	0
100	Swan	111	4
500	Vishnu	1210	0
1,000	Westerns	860	0
	BANKS		
50-10	Baroda	115	12
25-50	Central	30	4
500	Imperial	1571	4
125-500	Imp. Conty.	383	12
50-100	India	148	8
100	Reserve Bank	115	8
5	Unions	5	8
	CEMENTS.		
100	Associated	109½	0
	INSURANCE.		
100-500	Empire	685	0
15-100	Jupiter	13	2
20	Mercantile	52	0
15-100	New India	37	4
200	Oriental	4300	0
10-50	Vulcan	7	3
	ELECTRIC.		
100	Ah. Old	137	8
1,000	ANDHRA VALLEY	1400	0
10	Ajmer	11	14
10	Amalgmd.	12	0
50	Bombay Tram	119	8
100	Bombay Suburban	148	12
10	Broach	10	0
100	Karachi	190	0
100	Poona	170	10
100	Surat	172	8
100	TATA HYDRO	151	0
100	TATA POWERS	1,285	0
	RAILWAYS.		
100	Ahmedabad Prantij	951	4
100	C. Province	101	8
100	Dn Baramati	103	4
100	Gujarat	99	8
100	Mandra Bhon	102	0
100	Pachora Jamner	95	0
100	Sara Serajganj	104	0
500	Tapti Valley	745	10
	MINING.		
9	Burma Corp.	5	14
8sh.	Indian Copper	2-3-0	
10	Indian Iron and Steel	29	4
19	Shivrajpur	49	8
70	TATA STEEL DEFDS	1,490	0
75	TATA STEEL ORD.	311	0
	MISCELLANEOUS		
100	ALCOCK	336	0
60	BELAPUR SUGAR XD	178	12
200-250	Bombay Safe Dep.	840	0
150	BOMBAY STEAM	219	0
125	B. BURMA XD	490	8
50	Bombay Conty. XD	166	14
8sh.	Br. B. Petrol	3	8 0
50	BOMBAY TELEPHONE	80	4
100	I. BLEACHING	124	8
50	Invest Trust	42	0
100	I. Radio Defd	390	0
100	I. Radio Ord.	380	0
100	Port Canning	69	4
40	Premier Con.	65	0
15	Scindia	19	2
25	Tata Oil Mill (nil)	45	12
	PREFERENCE		
5	1/2 Amalgmad (T. F.)	106	0
7	p. c Andhra Valley	1510	0
6	p.c Bombay Steam XD	283	12
5	p.c Bombay Tram (T.F.)	73	0
5	p.c. Central India (T.F.)	567	8
6½	p.c. Prem. Const 1st.	108	0
6-1/4	p.c. Prem. Const. 2nd	97	0
7	p.c. Tata Hydro	148	12
7½	p.c. Tata Power	1603	12
6	p.c. Tata Steel 1st.	208	12
7½	p.c. Tata Steel 2nd	159	12
7	p.c Vishan	717	8
	DEBENTURES		
3-3/4	p.c. Andhra Valley	102	6
6	p.c. Andhra Valley	108	4
4	p.c. Bombay Telephone	52	8
7	p.c Sholapur	80	4
6	p.c. Tata Hydro	106	0

(Capital Letters indicate Shares on Forward List.)

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE
Bombay, Dec 20

Bombay Dyeing (867/8) 870 865 861 862 863
Century (238/3) 239 236/8 237
Central India (233) 233 232 231
Kohinoor (257) 257 255/8 256
New Great (216) 217 214 215 214
Simplex (77/4) 78 77/4 77
Swadeshi (217) 218 215
Associated Cement (109/8) 109/8 109 109/8
Andhra (1405) 1400
Tram Ord (120) 119/12 120 119/8
Tata Hydro (152/8) 152 151
Tata Power (1295) 1295 1285 1277 1283 1285
T Steel Defd (1500) 1505 1497 1500 1487 1491 1490
T Steel Ord (313) 314 312 313 311 312 311/8 311
Tata Steel 2nd Pref (160) 160 159/8 159/12
Bellapur (180) 180 179/8 178
B Steam (216) 216 219
B Burma (494/8) 495 492 491 490/8

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, Dec 20

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES	
3 1/2 per cent paper	98/2
4 per cent 1960/70	111/4
5 per cent 1945/55	115/13
BANKS	
Bank of Baroda	115/4
Bank of Hindusthan	31/4
Bank of India	148/8
Central Bank	30/4
Imperial Bank F P	1571/4
Imperial Bank P P	383/12
Indian Overseas Bank	46
Reserve Bank	115/8
Union Bank	5/8
TEXTILES	
Ahmd New Textiles	495
Ambica	238/12
Arun	225
Arvind	1260
Asok	216/4
Bharatkhand	2500
Bombay Dyeing	861/4
Buckingham and Carnatics	195
Calico	606/14
Central India	231/4
Century	236/4
Colaba	139/6
Delhi Cloth and Gen Mills	420
Elgin	212/8
Gokak	152/8
Hukumchand	168/2
Indore	55
Jubilee	203/2
Khatau Makanji	117/8
Kohinoor	255/10
Laxmi Cotton	515
Madhusudan	200
Marsden	97/8
Morarji	135
Mysore	28/12
Nandlal Bhandari	77/4
New Great	213/2
Raipur	695
Rajnagar	210
Sajjan	97/8
Sassoon and Alliance	71
Sholapur	3225
Simplex	76/4
Swadeshi	213/12
Vishnu	1210
HYDRO ELECTRICS	
Andhra Valley Ord	1397/8
Tata Hydro Ord	150/15
Tata Power Ord	1282/8
ELECTRICS	
Ahmedabad Electrics	137/8
Ajmer Electrics	12/8
Amalgamated	12/6
Bombay Suburban	149/12
Bombay Tram	119/6
Surat Electrics	172/8
MISCELLANEOUS	
Alcock Ashdown	335
Associated Cements	109/4
Belapur	178/2
Bombay Burma New XD	168/12
Bombay Burma Old	488/12
Bombay Steam	218/2
Bombay Telephone	80
Br B Petrol	3/8
Burma Corporation	5/14
Dalmia Cement	9/12
Indian Bleaching	123/2
Industrial Investment Tr	42
Indian Radio Ord	385/10
Indian Radio Defd	390
Indian Copper	2/2
Indian Iron	29/4
Mysore Sugar	30/8
Port Canning	69/4
Premier Construction	65
Rohtas Industries	25/10
Scindia Steam	18/2

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Wide Powers For Bihar Executive

Stringent Measures To Deal With Emergency

Arrests Without Warrant: Deportation Without Trial

PATNA, December 19.

A BILL GIVING WIDE POWERS TO THE ADMINISTRATION IN DEALING WITH COMMUNAL AND LABOUR RIOTS AND DANGEROUS CHARACTERS, IT IS UNDERSTOOD, IS NOW READY.

The measure is learnt to be purely executive in character inasmuch as no appeals will be permitted against orders issued under it.

FOLLOWING DECLARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY IN ANY PLACE WHERE A BREACH OF THE PEACE MIGHT BE APPREHENDED, IT IS UNDERSTOOD, THE PROVISIONS OF THE BILL WOULD COME INTO FORCE EMPOWERING DISTRICT OFFICERS TO ARREST WITHOUT WARRANT PERSONS CONSIDERED DANGEROUS TO TRANQUILLITY AND TO IMPOSE RESTRICTIONS ON THEM.

THE PERIOD OF CUSTODY, IT IS BELIEVED, WILL BE LEFT TO THE DISCRETION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS AND APPEALS AGAINST ORDERS ISSUED UNDER THIS BILL WILL LIE ONLY TO THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT AND NOT TO THE JUDICIARY.

IN CASE OF DANGEROUS CHARACTERS THE PROCEDURE PROVIDED IN THE BILL IS UNDERSTOOD TO REQUIRE THE ISSUE OF A WARRANT FOR THE ARREST OF SUCH PERSONS ABOUT WHOM THE DISTRICT MAGISTRATE MAKES A REPORT.

In this connection an enquiry by two judges, appointed by the Government, into the charges as contained in the District Magistrate's report and any representations that may be made by the persons who are subject of the report has been provided for.

Action against the persons—which entail deportation from or detention in a particular locality—will be taken only on recommendation of the Judges.

Persons under this Bill, it is learnt, may be even deported from the province.

Penalties for violation of orders issued under this Bill, it is understood, are also provided for and no compensations are to be paid to persons against whom proceedings are started under this measure.—A.P.

Coldest December In 83 Years

Plight Of Prisoners In Concentration Camps

BERLIN, Dec. 20.

With 25 degrees of frost Germany is having the coldest December day for the last 83 years. According to the weather forecast there is more frost to come.

Many are thinking of their friends in concentration camps. Sachsenhausen, north Berlin and Buchenwalds camps are particularly exposed to cold.

Ice formation has wholly or partly paralysed river navigation in many parts of the country affecting whole sections of the Elbe and the Main.

Over 40 fishing boats have been frozen into ice in the East Prussian lagoon Kurischerhass. Coastal traffic in the North Sea is interrupted and trawlers arriving in Hamburg resemble miniature icebergs.—Reuter.

PHILOSOPHERS TO CONFER IN HAWAII

CALCUTTA, Dec. 19.

The announcement that a philosophers' conference with three representatives of Japan, China and India each and 20 from the United States of America is to be held in June next in Hawaii under the auspices of the Oriental Institute of the University of Hawaii was made this afternoon by Prof. G. N. Sinclair, Director of the Institute, in the course of a public lecture delivered under the auspices of the International Buddhist Association at Mahabodhi Society Hall.

Dr. Kalidas Nag, Professor of the Calcutta University presided.

Explaining the object of the conference Prof. Sinclair said: "This conference would usher a new point of view in the present attitude of the peoples of America and the Orient."

Prof. Sinclair had been to Japan and China and had come to the conclusion that after the present cataclysmic changes in the world there would be four great peoples in the world within fifty years. They would be the Americans, Russians, Chinese and the Indians.—United Press.

RULER'S BAIT FAILS

'Reforms' In Rajnandgaon Criticised: Satyagrahis Removed From Palace

DRUG, Dec. 20.

The State Congress agitation at Rajnandgaon continues. Three batches of five Congressmen each attempted to offer Satyagraha near the Ruling Chief's palace "Lalbaug" but the State police posted near the entrance gates leading to the palace prevented them from carrying out their plans. All the fifteen Satyagrahis, including four Muslims, were removed by the police to some distance and then released.

ADVISORY COUNCILS

Meanwhile, the Rajnandgaon Durbar, it is stated, has made an announcement indicating the decision of the ruler to constitute at an early date Advisory Councils for each of the seven Parganas in the State. These councils will be known as "Proja Sabhas". Two-thirds of the members will be elected and the rest nominated by the Durbar. The president of these bodies will also be nominated. The functions of these Councils are purely advisory in character. They will have no control over the finances of the State or in the matter of shaping the policy of the State.

The councils will be free to discuss administrative matters and make recommendations to the ruler.

It is learnt that this announcement has been widely distributed among the State subjects under the orders of the Rajnandgaon Durbar yesterday.

The consensus of opinion among State Congressmen, appears to be that the reforms scheme embodied in the Durbar's announcement is extremely unsatisfactory as it contains no reference to the attainment of a responsible form of Government by the State subjects, even in the distant future.

This view was expressed at a public meeting last night under the auspices of the local Congress. Mr. Ruikar presiding. Other objections to the scheme enumerated at the meeting were the nominated element on the Sabhas and the complete absence of any voice to the subjects' representatives in determining the State policy in matters concerning the people.

Mr. Ruiker also criticised the announcement as it did not mention the establishment of a Central Sabha. This was likely, according to him, to lead to disruption in the ranks of the subjects.

Lokur's Appointment Gazetted

NEW DELHI, Dec. 20

The Hon. Mr. Justice, M. A. Somjee formerly an additional Judge and now acting as a Puisne Judge of the High Court at Bombay, having been appointed by His Majesty to be a Puisne Judge of the said High Court, with effect from the 20th December, 1938, the Governor-General has appointed the Hon. Mr. Justice, N. S. Lokur, whose present term of appointment as Additional Judge of the Bombay High Court expires on the 19th Dec., 1938, to be an Additional Judge of the said Court with effect from the 20th December 1938 to the 28th February 1939.—A. P.

SHEFFIELD SHIELD MATCH

South Australia Beats New South Wales

ADELAIDE, Dec. 20.

In Sheffield Shield match between South Australia and New South Wales, South Australia was won by an innings and fifty-five runs.

South Australia declared their first innings closed at 600 for eight wickets. (Bradman contributed 143, having stayed at the wicket for 230 minutes, Badcock remained not out with 271, which included two sixes and seventeen fours. He gave one chance.

New South Wales were all out in their first inninge for 390 (Barnes 117 Chipperfield 154. Grimmett took seven wickets for 116.

Following on, New South Wales were dismissed for 155 (Grimmett four for 59 Ward four for 40).—Reuter.

VICTORIA BEATS QUEENSLAND

MELBOURNE, Dec. 20.

In the match between Victoria and Queensland the former won by three wickets. Queensland 184 Brown 6; Fleetwood Smith 6 for 58 and 510 for five declared. Rogers 104; Allen 136; Brown 99; Cook 58; Victoria 376 Hassett 104; Gregory 53; Ellis 5 for 104 and 322 for 7 wickets Gregory 77; Hassett 73.—Reuter.

SRINIVAS IYENGAR AND INDIAN POLITICS

MADRAS

"It is not want of request on the part of friends all over Tamilnad and Andhra Desa that has prevented me from coming back to public life. There is no false sense of dignity about me. If I think any crisis requires my presence, whether you ask me or not I will force myself on you," declared Mr. S. Srinivasa Iyengar, ex-Congress President, presiding over Jawahar Nagar Congress Sabha anniversary.

When Mahatma Gandhi wanted him to come back he pointed out to him the difficulty of co-operation between them having regard to their different views.

He said that he did not wish to be understood that he was making any grievance against anybody. On the contrary there existed the greatest goodwill between him and Mahatma Gandhi. —A. P.

Her Collar-bone Broken

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.

Elisa Landi, film actress, broke a collar-bone when her car skidded near Kingston, New York State, according to the actress's New York agents.—Reuter.

ALL OVER AN ARTICLE

Burma Congress Chief's Action Raises Storm

(From Our Correspondent)

RANGOON, (By Mail)

A trouble seems to have been brewing for the last several weeks, since Mr. B. K. Dadachanji, President of the Burma Congress Committee wrote an article in the "Nootan Brahmadesha", an Anglo-Gujarati journal published in Rangoon. Mr. Dadachanji in his article traced the origin and development of the recent communal riots which started in Rangoon and gave his candid opinion how the two Indian communities the Hindus and the Muslims acted during these reign of terror in the city of Rangoon, making it definitely clear in the article that it was his own personal views, and had nothing to do with the local Congress committee. The article in question contained many strictures which offended the feelings of the local Hindus and particularly the Gujaratis who raised a hue and cry in the press and on the platform against the Congress President. Mr. Dadachanji's article in question has been appreciated by the thinking people in the country, as the author has strongly expounded wherein lies the weakness and dangers of the Indian community in Burma in the days to come.

AGITATION AGAINST PRESIDENT

A section of the Congress members, Gujaratis in particular, has started a strong agitation against the president Mr. Dadachanji whom they desired to be removed from the office. They intended to hold a meeting to pass a vote of no-confidence in the President Mr. Dadachanji, but since the Congress constitution does not permit such a course, the section of the offended group held a meeting at the premises of the Gujarat Association and passed a resolution deploring the action of the President Mr. Dadachanji by writing such an article and thereby causing a great disservice in the cause of communal harmony and Indo-Burma relationship, which, he as the President of the Burma Congress Committee should promote.

An unpleasant situation has thus arisen in the Burma Congress camp, which, if not properly checked in time, might cause more harm to the cementing of intercommunal unity among the Indians in Burma.

SOMYOG MILLS LOCK-OUT

(From Our Correspondent)

AJMER, Dec. 20

The Somyog Mill, Krishnagarh, has again declared lock-out. Workers are loyal to the leaders.

Dacoities are galore in Ajmer Province. Famine is raging. Pushkar villages were looted.

Challenge To Burma Coalition Govt.

DEMONSTRATION BEFORE SECRETARIAT AGAINST PROHIBITORY ORDERS

RANGOON, Dec. 24.

THE "SIT DOWN" PICKETING AT ALL ENTRANCES TO THE BURMA GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT, WHICH BEGAN AT NINE THIS MORNING BY THE BOYS AND GIRLS OF VARIOUS SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES, WAS A NOVEL FORM OF CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE DEMONSTRATION.

Almost all the schools and colleges were closed and pickets including boys and girls, armed with umbrellas, Red Flags, lunch baskets and water bottles, blocked all the entrances, preventing Government servants from entering the Secretariat.

All the gates were hastily closed and groups of policemen and sergeants who were posted on duty were withdrawn at about 11 a. m. Policemen, however, were posted near a number of Government premises.

The purpose of the demonstration is to express resentment at the retention of the prohibitory orders and the arrest of the President and the Secretary of the All Burma Students Union.—A. P.

Protest Meeting Against Ban On Public Meetings

RANGOON, Dec. 19.
(Delayed In Transmission)

Lusty shouts of "Dobama" (Burma for Burmans), "Medoke" (Patriotic Fire), "Burmans show your Courage" and "down with the Government" heralded the civil disobedience campaign at 3-30 p. m. to-day.

A public meeting was held opposite the southern gate of the Shwedagon Pagoda, defying the Government's ban on public meetings and speeches were delivered by U. Saw, leader of the Myochit (Patriotic) Party, and two other members of the House of Representatives, bitterly attacking the Government for suppressing civil liberty.

The meeting was attended by about 600 people, including members of the Young Buddhist Monks Association and Students.

After the meeting a quarter-mile-long procession passed through Pagoda Road, Canal Street, Morton Street and Dalhousie Street, terminating outside the quadrangle of the City Hall.

U. Saw then urged the processionists to defy the Government, accusing them of siding with British imperialism.

Two glowing torches, symbolising the traditional Burmese patriotism and emblem of Galon (mythical eagle), representing national prowess, headed the procession which was led by U. Saw.

A bus-load of policemen under the command of police officers followed the procession which was peaceful.—A. P.

LATHI CHARGE IN RANGOON SECRETARIAT

RANGOON, Dec. 20.

ABOUT FORTY BOYS, AGED SIXTEEN AND OVER, WERE INJURED AND SENT TO HOSPITAL FOLLOWING TWO CHARGES BY THE POLICE IN FRONT OF THE MAIN ENTRANCE TO THE SECRETARIAT.

It is stated that the pickets, decided to withdraw at one o'clock, and were passing by the main entrance, shouting, whereupon the horses of the mounted police started shying. It is reported that the police then charged them with batons. Shoes and pieces of wood were later thrown at the police who charged the boys again.

Two or three girls are also reported to have received minor injuries.

At the time of wiring the Secretariat frontage on Sparks Street had been cordoned off and barricaded. The military police have arrived at the spot, and are guarding it with fixed bayonets.—A.P.

SIX ARRESTS AND 72 CASUALTIES

RANGOON, Dec. 20

In connection with afternoon's disturbances six members of the Doboma (Burma for Burmans) Party have, been arrested.

The casualty list as verified show that 72 persons were injured, including three policemen and one European sergeant, and nineteen were admitted to hospital.

It is understood that the Burmese daily, "Sun", has been asked to furnish a security of Rs. 3,000. —A. P.

INDICTMENT OF COSTER BROTHERS

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.

Indictments have been preferred against three brothers of Coster on two first degree charges of Grand Larceny and one charge of Forgery of third degree based on alleged dealings by McKesson-Robbins and another corporation with supposed British agent, George Dietrich, identified as assistant treasurer of McKesson-Robbins, Robert Dietrich, traffic manager and Arthur Vernard, Canadian manager.—Reuter.

Lancashire Cotton Enabling Bill

LONDON, Dec. 20.

Mr. Oliver Stanley stated in the House of Commons that he hoped that it would be possible early in the new year to complete the drafting of the Lancashire Cotton Enabling Bill, when those concerned would have an opportunity of expressing their considered views. If the Government were then satisfied that a substantial majority in the industry favoured the decisions, it was Government's desire to pass the bill into law this session.—Reuter.

Edgar Wallace's Detective Story Day By Day

INSPECTOR WADE — GUNMAN'S BLUFF

YOU'RE GONNA WHAT?
YOU HEARD ME.... I'M GOING TO CAPTURE "SLICK" WITH GHOSTS!
G--GHOSTS?
SURE, GHOSTS OF ME AND CONNORS!
I'VE ALREADY SENT FOR A MASK OF CONNORS AND SOME PHOSPHORESCENT PAINT TO ADD TO APPEARANCES.....
BUT HOW CAN YOU BE GHOSTS WHEN YOU'RE BOTH ALIVE?
NOT TO 'SLICK' AND HIS GANG! REMEMBER, THEY TOSSED US IN THE RIVER! THEY THINK WE'RE DROWNED.....DEAD AS MACKEREL! THAT'S WHY THEY'LL GET THE SHOCK OF THEIR LIVES!
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